

Merry Christmas



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BRIEFS

Holiday closings

- The office of the Casey County Judge-Executive will be closed Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 24 and 25.
- The Casey County Circuit Court Clerk's office will be closed Wednesday Dec. 24 through Friday, Dec. 26.
- The Casey County Clerk's Office will close Wednesday, Dec. 24 at noon and remain closed until Monday, Dec. 29 for the Christmas holiday.
- The Casey County News office will be closed on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 25-26 for the Christmas holiday. The deadlines for the Dec. 31 edition are as usual.

NEXT WEEK



See next week's issue for your first chance to vote in the fifth annual "Best of Casey County" Readers Choice Awards

LOCAL WEATHER

Wed 12/24 62/37
Cloudy with occasional rain showers. Thunder possible. High 62F.

Thu 12/25 43/31
Morning clouds followed by afternoon sun.

Fri 12/26 56/40
Abundant sunshine. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the low 40s.

Sat 12/27 55/45
A few morning showers. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the mid 40s.

Sun 12/28 47/35
Mainly cloudy and rainy. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the mid 30s.

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Mayor vetoes repeal of restaurant tax

Council rescinds city-wide smoking ban ordinance

By Larry Rowell
Editor

For the first time in the 16 years that Steve Sweeney has served as mayor in Liberty, he has used his veto powers to uphold a city ordinance.

In a special called meeting on Monday, Liberty city council members voted 4-2 on second reading to rescind an ordinance that would place a 3 percent tax

on diners eating in local restaurants and on shops that prepare and sell ready to eat foods.

First reading to rescind the restaurant tax and a city-wide smoking ban in public buildings was held in a special called meeting on Dec. 17. The council voted to rescind both bills in that meeting.

Much as they voted in the Dec. 17 meeting, Councilmen Andy Lawhorn, Larry

Bowmer, Brad Vaughn, and Brian Beeler voted to rescind the restaurant tax with Councilmen Steven Brown and Mitchell Phillips voting against the measure. Beeler abstained in the Dec. 17 meeting.

Following the vote, Sweeney presented council members with a written veto, overriding the majority vote to rescind the tax.

"I act without malice or ill will. I act because I be-

lieve the City of Liberty will benefit from enactment of this tax. It will allow the city to expand some infrastructure projects, and allow the city to progress without excessive fiscal difficulty," Sweeney stated in the veto.

Kentucky law states that to overturn the mayor's veto, it will take a majority of council members plus one, a 5-1 vote.

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Showcasing Christmas Talent



An assortment of Christmas-themed talents took the stage at Lights of Liberty Theater on Monday night, during the Liberty Holiday Showcase. All proceeds from ticket sales went to the Casey County Community Ministries Children's fund.

ABOVE, Sidney Bernard shows off her singing talents with the song, "Mary, Did you Know?" while Alex Land plays the part of Mary.

Several dancers hit the stage to show off their moves during the Holiday Showcase. RIGHT, young dancer Lucy Wilson wows the crowd with her graceful strength as she holds up her balanced partner, Harlie Hebrock.

photos/ABIGAIL WHITEHOUSE



COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Casey clerk's audit has one finding

By Larry Rowell
Editor

Casey County Clerk Casey Davis's office just received their annual audit, and, as is often the case, has the same finding — "lacks adequate segregation of duties over disbursements."

Auditors from state auditor Adam H. Edelen's office in Frankfort performed the audit for the year ended Dec. 31, 2013.

The report states that excess fees from Davis' office decreased by \$39,942 from the previous year, resulting in excess fees paid to Casey County Fiscal Court of \$75,043 for FY 12-13.

While revenues decreased by \$109,782 from the previous year, expenditures also decreased by \$69,840.

As to why the decrease in revenue, Davis said it was obvious: "there was less money."

However, he said that FY 14 ending this month should see a nice rebound in excess fees to fiscal court.

Excess fees, defined by Kentucky law, are those funds which remain after Davis, his staff, and office expenses are paid.

"Any revenue derived from fees in excess of the officer's compensation and expenses is transferred to the county (KRS 64.152 and 134.310)."

According to the audit, the clerk's office had revenue during FY 13 of \$2,773,776, with the lion's share derived from collecting licenses and fees for motor vehicles and tangible per-

■ See AUDIT/12

CRIME

Man arrested for stealing two cars, other charges

By Larry Rowell
Editor

A Casey County man is locked away in the Casey County Detention Center under a \$25,000 cash bond on multiple charges, among them stealing two vehicles, and attempting to steal a third one.

Harold Jay Godbey II, 37, of Liberty, was arrested on Dec. 20 just after 6 p.m. after eluding police for the better part of the day.

Godbey began his alleged crime spree about 7:30 a.m. when he broke into Liberty Motors and stole several items including a micrometer, binoculars, and a chainsaw, among other items, a court report states.

While at Liberty Motors, Godbey tried to steal a 2003 Saturn Vue but



GODBEY

STATE LEGISLATURE

State right to work issue contentious

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the second in a four-part series of stories which will examine right to work, charter schools and the prevailing wage questions Rep. Mike Harmon is asking residents in a legislative questionnaire.

By Larry Rowell
Editor

Legislators are asking constituents their views on a number of issues which may come before the Kentucky legislature when the session begins on Jan. 6.

Rep. Mike Harmon, R-Danville, who represents Casey and Boyle counties in the state house, sent out a questionnaire asking voters' views on issues such as right-to-work.

"Should Kentucky become a right-to-work state?" Harmon wanted to know.

While a poll of 20 Casey County residents showed their lack of understanding on the issue, it is a question that communities and states are beginning to ponder.

"Right to work is one of those that for some reason I don't know if it's just the unions but it gets misrepresented quite often. Basically, it boils down to giving people the right to be able to take employment without being required to pay union dues or they can choose to," Harmon said, adding that Kentucky is one of the few surrounding states that doesn't have a right-to-work law.

"It makes us very uncompetitive," Harmon said.

While the right-to-work issue hasn't been proposed in Casey County Fiscal Court, it is something that's arisen in four Kentucky

counties, with the latest being Hardin County Fiscal Court, who held first reading on a right-to-work ordinance Tuesday morning.

Warren County Fiscal Court in Bowling Green passed a right-to-work law on Friday, reported The Bowling Green Daily News.

Eldon Renaud, who heads the Union Autoworkers Union in Bowling Green, told a reporter that right-to-work laws only weaken unions, forcing unions to negotiate and handle grievances for people who don't pay dues, calling them "free riders."

This is also an issue that Simpson

“Basically, it boils down to giving people the right to be able to take employment without being required to pay union dues or they can choose to.”
— Rep. Mike Harmon
State House of Representatives





The Christmas Story

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

(And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)

And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:)

To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, bearing great with child.

And so it was that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Luke 2:1-14
Holy Bible
King James Version

‘Twas the night before Christmas

‘Twas the night before Christmas...

...and nothing happened, at least not much out of the ordinary.

The inn in tiny little Bethlehem had no vacancies, and people without a place to stay were surely aggravated with the inn keeper. Nothing unusual about that. Other citizens were likely agitated with all the extra traffic, all those people rushing back to their place of birth to register for the census. Impatience would be the expected, normal behavior in those circumstances. And Roman soldiers in Bethlehem, like ones in thousands of places across the empire, probably gripped about being stationed in a backwoods, hick town. It was business as usual in the overcrowded, little town of Bethlehem.

Unlike the Santa who arrived with such a clatter that he awoke the father in Charles Moore’s poem, Jesus’ arrival was quiet, except perhaps for his and his mother’s cries at childbirth. The two unusual, indeed miraculous events surrounding his birth that did occur happened to unlikely people in out of the way places: the angels’ appearance to shepherds in the field outside Bethlehem and the star to the Magi somewhere in the east.

No trumpets announced his birth. No one was forced to bow to the baby king. No words of allegiance to him and his kingdom were recited.

I think Jesus intended it that way.

It’s just like him.

He doesn’t intrude into people’s lives.

Think about the people who missed the first Christmas: The innkeeper, hustling to make sure he had every room occupied and paid for,

David B.
WHITLOCK
Guest
Columnist



missed Jesus; the religious leaders, who had been waiting for the Messiah, searching their Scriptures for clues of his arrival, got so caught up in their religious activity that they missed him when he finally came; the Romans missed him too, for they were too preoccupied with their own pantheon of gods.

It’s easy to miss God when he shows up in the flesh, smelling like a baby.

He did come to us that first time, and when he returns, the Scriptures say his presence will be undeniable.

But what about now, this Christmas? Most people will miss him just as they did the first Christmas.

Instead of staying in the five-star hotel, like we might think, he sleeps under the stars; we expect to find him swagging down the aisle of the largest church in town, and instead he quietly worships in the shadows; we suppose he will march on Washington, making a powerful statement that he is the man in charge now, but instead he sits down in a park, lets the children crawl all over him, then shares a meal with the homeless while telling them about life in a different kind of Kingdom.

It’s easy to miss Jesus, not because he doesn’t want us to find him. We miss him because we pass by him on the way to someone or someplace else that’s more important to us than he is, for we mistakenly think we aren’t that important to him.

■ See ‘TWAS/3

Benjamin Franklin warned us long ago, “They who can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.”

Ignorance is bliss – this is a phrase I’ve come to find absolute truth within, because it is just that, the truth.

My curious mind has never allowed me to understand the phrase completely, though it has fully supported the opposite argument.

Staying informed is madness.

The age of the Internet is both the savior of media and the destroyer of media. In its brightest light, the Internet has allowed the gathering of a collective conscious, people coming together in agreement, something we don’t see enough of on our nightly news on television.

I’ve witnessed news sto-

Abigail
WHITEHOUSE
Staff Writer



ries air on television, and within seconds watched the Internet, Twitter most specifically, light up like the Milky Way.

For those of you who haven’t entered quite that deep into the world of social media, Twitter can be appreciated if only for the way it sparks millions of voices across the world, weighing in on one single, global or local issue.

My generation grew up in this world. We have only a small idea of what it means to wait for a response, for action.

I can say personally, I’m far too impatient for this slow gathering of Americans. Despite our increasing

attention moving towards the powers that be, we still remain far too uninformed and far too divided to make a real impact.

People are still fighting phony labeled wars, “conservatives,” versus “liberals,” the same lines drilled into your ears.

Meanwhile, the things that matter, the rights and liberties you REALLY don’t want to lose, are disappearing.

The same government officials, who cry outrage when their personal files are investigated, are somehow okay with the idea that Americans will have virtually no privacy from their government.

Once more, our leaders plan to capitalize off of national crises, and per usual the media has provided the collaborative narrative, placing the hacking of Sony on North Korea, while naming no actual

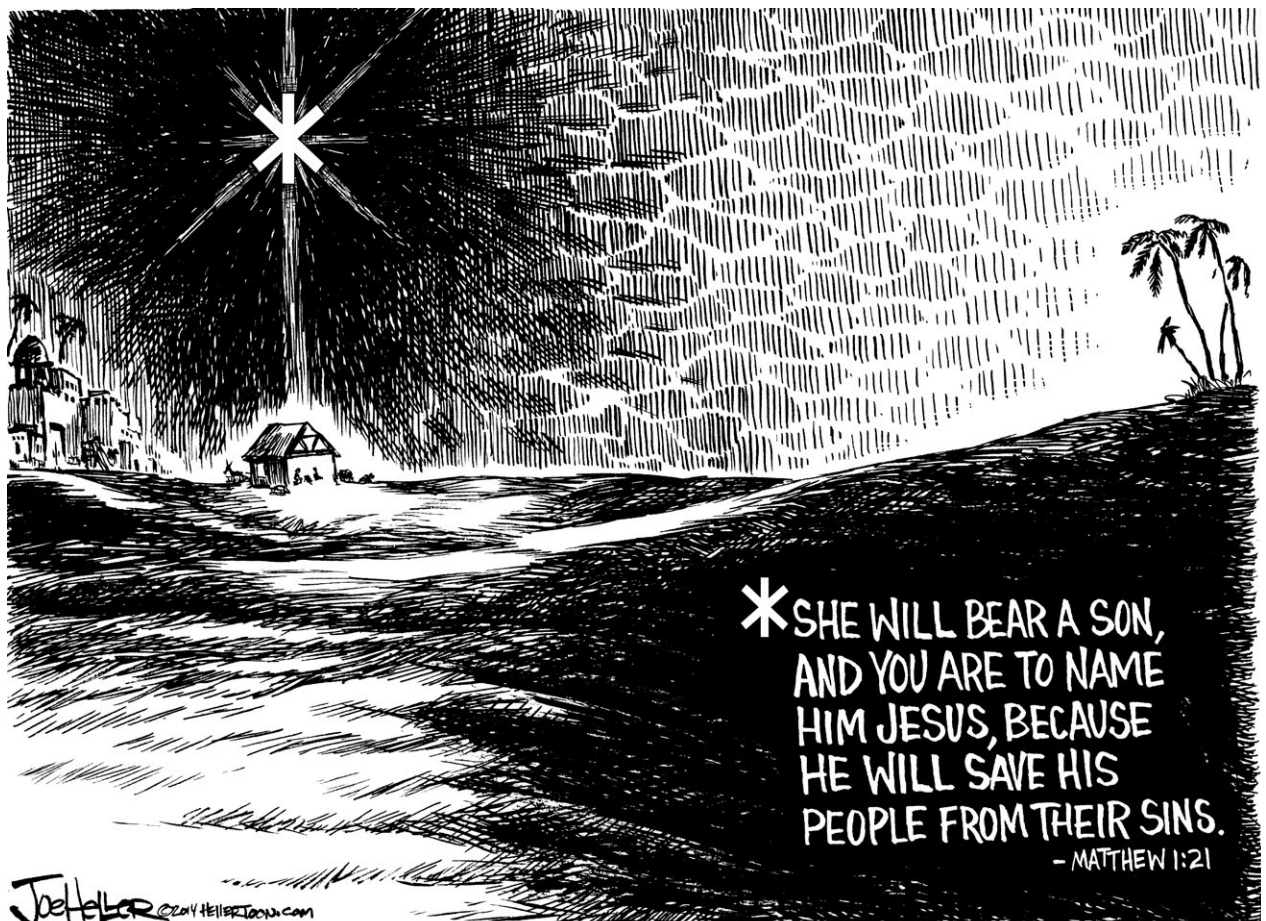
sources.

Cue the federal government’s new role in the world of Internet.

Congressman Thomas Massie wrote on his Facebook page, “In this spirit, Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), an advocate of the unconstitutional Cyber Intelligence Sharing and Protection Act (CISPA), said of the Sony hack, “This is only the latest example of the need for serious legislation to improve the sharing of information between the private sector and the government to help companies strengthen cyber security. We must pass an information sharing bill as quickly as possible next year.”

For those of us who grew up in the age of Internet, we know exactly what this means.

And for once, we may not be the Americans who are willing to give up our liberties for security.



Give Ronnie Davis a break

I don’t live in Liberty but Liberty is the seat of government for all of Casey County so I feel like I have the right to put my two cents worth in here. You understand, of course, that it is just my opinion that follows here and does not reflect the opinion of *The Casey County News* (and maybe nobody else, either). That has never stopped me before.

I think the powers-that-be in Liberty should take Ronnie Davis out behind the woodshed. Maybe they should coat him in honey and stake him out over an anthill. They could also pilory him by erecting stocks on the courthouse lawn and putting him in them like the witches of Salem had done to them. How about drawing and quartering him? They could send him to Guantanamo and water board him, too.

Why should any of this be done to poor ol’ Ronnie, a man I hardly know (I think I’ve talked to him a grand total of three or four times)? Well, as an observer and reader of the weekly paper, I have discovered that Ronnie has an “illegal trailer/mobile home/modular structure” within the city limits of Liberty. Oh, hush my mouth! What a travesty! Never mind that

Joberta
WELLS
Columnist



it’s well kept and neat and serves as some sort of office.

You know what an office is, don’t you? It’s where business is transacted. Business! Something that the powers-that-be are constantly hankering for and are claiming they are doing something to bring new businesses to Liberty and Casey County. So, here’s an active business with an office in what they have deemed an “illegal structure”. They want to slow down Mr. Davis’ business or possibly close it temporarily, maybe permanently, because it’s operated out of an “illegal structure”. Give me a break! Better yet, give Mr. Davis a break.

Liberty has a problem if they want to expand. In almost any direction they could go they would be in the flood plain. There’s not enough fill dirt in the world to raise the surrounding properties above the flood plain. Think back to May 2, 2010 when a flood nobody expected to happen damaged 80 percent of the

businesses on the Liberty bypass.

I am amazed at the work Mr. Davis has done to prepare the property just north of Liberty (across U.S. 127 from his “illegal structure”) for possible new businesses that he is trying to bring to Liberty. He, at great personal cost, got rid of a decades-old sawdust pile that had to be eliminated (EPA rules) before any of the land could be used for future construction. He has pared down a hill at great personal cost to prepare for future construction sites. They are well above the flood plain unless we get a flood of Noah’s proportion. If Liberty wants to expand (they do, don’t they?) this is the only direction in which to go.

Now, why won’t Liberty run a sewer line out to that property? Sure, it would cost a heap of money for the sewer line and lift station. Let’s just say, however, that an upscale restaurant or a computer business or any retail store expressed an interest in building on Mr. Davis’ prepared sites. They will not be interested long when they find out they have to pay to have their own septic tanks or other sewage disposal units installed. Hey, folks, there goes that business that the

powers-that-be are hankering for and are claiming they are trying to bring to Liberty and Casey County. What about electrical service and water service to these sites? Everybody knows that unless the infrastructure is already in place, new businesses are not interested in locating to bare sites.

It is my opinion (again, MY opinion) that Mr. Ronnie Davis is one of the most visible people who is making any effort to bring new businesses to Casey County. Where is our much-vaunted Economic Development Authority when it comes to the possibility of new businesses being brought in by Mr. Davis? They should be standing shoulder-to-shoulder with him and supporting him in any way they can. Everybody in Liberty and Casey County should be doing the same.

Get off Ronnie Davis’ case, folks. You might still be stinging (or not) from his effort to make Liberty a “damp” city but that’s not a good reason to squelch his plans to bring new businesses to Liberty and doing petty things like making him get rid of that “illegal structure.” Clean up the rest of Liberty before you do that. What a hoot all this is.

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Fiscal court receives county clerk's 2015 budget

By Larry Rowell
Editor

Casey County Clerk Casey Davis presented his budget for calendar year 2015 to Casey County Fiscal Court on Dec. 15.

According to the document, Davis has asked to spend \$193,000 from fees collected for full time wages and salaries, overtime wages, vacation and sick leave, health insurance, and insurance other than health.

Davis estimates that 2015 will closely mirror FY 2013-14, with revenues of \$2.77 million while expenditures are projected to be \$2.66 million, leaving excess fees to fiscal court of about \$100,000.

In other business, magistrates:

■ Heard Judge-Executive Ronald Wright say that Casey County Property Valuation Administrator Eric Brown had moved his office just across the street, to 133

Courthouse Square.

In October, magistrates approved Wright's recommendation to purchase the vacant building belonging to Jerry Foster.

Appraised at \$125,000, the 5,500 square foot, two story building gives Brown's staff room to move about and expand, something that his three person staff hasn't had in the small two room building they occupied on the south side of the old Courthouse.

"We actually bought the building for \$80,000, because Jerry Foster donated the difference back to the county," Wright said, previously.

In addition, the .22 acre lot that extends to Jockey Street also has five concrete storage buildings.

Magistrate's approved Wright's recommendation to salvage parts of the old building and tear it down.

■ Voted to take Shady Grove Lane into the coun-

ty road inventory. Wright said that the piece of white rocked road, 780 feet long by 30 feet wide, has three homes on it and needs no tile work.

■ Heard Wright say that as an outgoing fiscal court, magistrates aren't allowed to spend more than 65 percent of its budget the first half of the year. Wright said that 50.21 percent had been spent, leaving 49.79 percent, about 15 percent more than the required 35 percent.

■ Approved Wright's recommendation to advertise for bids on a "work" pickup truck for the Road Department that Wright said should cost around \$20,000.

■ Heard County Treasurer Debbie Vaughn give the following fund balances for November: General — \$315,531.79; Road — \$1,108,411.51; Jail — \$184,439.84; LGEA — \$69,554.09; State — \$2,884.41; E-911 — \$55,944.

Economic Development Authority discusses college business plan

By Larry Rowell
Editor

With a scheduled completion date of March 30, business plans are being formulated for the Casey County Community and Education Center concerning income, expenses, partner schools, a master building plan, rental/use agreement for the community rooms, and marketing and fundraising.

Members of the Liberty-Casey County Economic

Development Authority discussed a business plan on Dec. 15 for the new college currently being built in downtown Liberty.

Projected income sources — rent from a state office, and EDA and Casey County Bank contributions, should provide an annual income of approximately \$32,000.

However, the contributions from EDA and CCB at \$10,000 a year are for 10 and eight years, respectively.

Still to be decided is whether the three colleges — Somerset Community College, Campbellsville University, and Lindsey Wilson College — will generate any income for the college.

In addition, until the building is opened, it will be difficult to determine how much rent the Community Room in the building will bring in, said EDA Director Blaine Staat.

Staat said that annual expense estimates are for

office costs, \$26,340; marketing costs, \$2,900; and maintenance, \$10,480.

According to these estimates, the college will need to generate at least \$40,000 annually just to cover expenses.

In other business, the EDA:

■ Heard Staat give the following financial report for November: Total checking and savings is \$470,688.58. Staat said that all loan payments are current and generate \$22,484

in quarterly loan payments. Chieftain Steel has two loans with an outstanding

balance of \$537,479. Goose Creek Candles, \$382,165, and SnapDolls, \$93,995.

'Twas

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I read about a church in Baltimore that years ago found something amazing right there in the wall of their church, something everyone had overlooked. It had been "hiding" from them for more than 25 years. Someone finally recognized a piece of art for what it truly was: a valuable woodblock print by Albrecht Durer, dated 1493.

It depicted The Annunciation, the scene where the angel Gabriel told Mary she would give birth to God's Son. Many of the church members had a difficult time believing it was a genuine masterpiece, for

after all, they reasoned, "Why would something that valuable be in a place like this?"

We ask the same question today.

And so we walk on by Jesus, for surely he wouldn't be here in this ordinary place where plain people like us live, surrounded by the dull, drab walls that encase our dull, drab lives.

But his Presence, his Spirit, is here, because we are that valuable to him. And so he watches us, waiting for us to recognize him for the Person he really is, so we can know and be the people we really are.

He looks for us to look

for him.

He intended it that way.

Contact David B. Whitlock at drdavid@davidb-whitlock.com



The \$250 Shop Local Giveaway winner is
Todd Harne of Liberty
He registered at Subway of Liberty



Daril and Frances Salyers enjoyed reading *The Casey County News* while camping at Lloyd's Landing.

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OBITUARIES

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Melinda D. Baker, 59

Melinda Dee Baker, 59, of Liberty, passed away on Sunday, Dec. 14, 2014 at Lake Cumberland Regional Hospital.

She was born on April 19, 1955 to the late Leslie Bremer and Pauline Carlisle Bremer.

Melinda was united in marriage to John Henry Baker in 1982 in Palatka, Fla. She was a Christian and she was self-employed at Wild Man's Vac N Sew. Melinda was a free-giving individual and was selfless in so many ways. She enjoyed cooking and she always wished people to have a happy day. She helped others that were in need and always cared for the welfare of others above herself. She never met a stranger and had instant bonds with people. She enjoyed life to the fullest and made each moment count.

In addition to her husband, Melinda is survived



BAKER

Henry Lee Johnson of Arkansas; a sister, Melissa Bremer of Gainesville, Fla.; grandchildren, Jaiden Elijah McCourt, Cody James Lee and Carolyn Nichole Lee; a great-grandchild, Gavin Lee; lifetime friends, Tammy and Lloyd Grandy; and a host of other friends.

A celebration of Melinda's life will be held in the coming days at her home.

Condolences may be sent to the family or sign the online register book at www.somersetundertaking.com.

Somerset Undertaking Company and Crematory is in charge of all arrangements.

Donald W. Goode, 63

Donald W. Goode of Bradfordsville died Monday, Dec. 22, 2014 at his residence. He was 63.

Born in Lebanon on April 12, 1951, he was the son of Lucille Smith Goode and the late Charlie Goode.

In addition to his mother,

survivors include two sisters.

Services were held Dec. 23 at Bartle Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Jeff Edwards officiating.

Burial was at Tapscott Cemetery.

Sister Annalita Lancaster, 91

Sister Annalita Lancaster, 91, an Ursuline Sister of Mount Saint Joseph, died Dec. 9, 2014 at Mount Saint Joseph, in her 71st year of religious life.

She was a native of Vine Grove. She was principal of St. Bernard High School, Clementsville (1958-65).

Survivors include her sister, Emma Florence Itschner of Owensboro, and her brother Patrick Joshua Lan-

caster of Louisville.

The funeral Mass was Dec. 12 at Mount Saint Joseph. Glenn Funeral Home and Crematory, Owensboro, was in charge of arrangements.

Gifts in memory of Sister Annalita may take the form of donations to the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph, 8001 Cummings Road, Maple Mount, KY 42356.

Fred R. Cravens, 80

Fred Roalston Cravens died Monday, Dec. 15, 2014 at the McCreary County Health and Rehab in Pine Knot. He was 80.

Born Aug. 19, 1934 in Casey County, he was a son of the late Coy and Nora Gadberry Cravens.

Survivors include his daughter, Gloria Jean Hammond of Somerset; son,

Gilbert Dewayne Cravens of Liberty; two sisters; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Dec. 18 at McKinney-Brown Funeral Home with Bro. Bobby Clark officiating.

Burial was in the Spaw Cemetery.

Bobby L. Lynn, 52

Bobby Lewis Lynn died Thursday, Dec. 18, 2014 at the Casey County Hospital. He was 52.

Born Sept. 3, 1962 in Casey County, he was the son of the late William Loyd and Mae Cochran Lynn.

Survivors include a son,

B.J. Lynn of Jamestown; two grandchildren; two brothers; and seven sisters.

Funeral services were Dec. 20 at McKinney-Brown Funeral Home with Bro. Billy Marples and Bro. Cole Caven officiating.

Burial was in Poplar Springs Cemetery.



Clifton Bishop, 59

Clifton "Cliff" Bishop of Casey County died Saturday, Dec. 20, 2014 at the Casey County Hospital. He was 59.

Born Sept. 30, 1955 in Green County, he was the son of the late Leroy and Clementine Wright Bishop. He was a Vietnam Army veteran.

Survivors include his

wife, Cindy Wethington Bishop of Liberty; a son, Lee Bishop of Campbells-ville; two daughters, Lynn Woodrum and Lori Sharp, both of Liberty; 11 grandchildren; and two sisters.

Funeral services were Dec. 22 at McKinney-Brown Funeral Home with Bro. Jeff Edwards officiating.

Randy Hatfield, 55

Randy "Peanut" Hatfield of Casey County died Sunday, Dec. 21, 2014 at the University of Kentucky Medical Center. He was 55.

Born Aug. 28, 1959 in Casey County, he was the son of the late Howard "Peanut" and Lillian Lane Hatfield.

Survivors include two

daughters, Riley Hatfield of Danville and Katie Hatfield of Liberty; a grandson; a brother; and a sister.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. today (Wednesday, Dec. 24) at McKinney-Brown Funeral Home with Bro. Jimmy Brown officiating.

Burial will follow in Salem Cemetery.

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

Matthew 5:3-9

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

HAPPENINGS

■ Casey County Cattleman's Association will meet Thursday, Jan. 8 at 6:30 p.m. at the Casey County Extension Office. RSVP by 4:30 p.m. on Dec. 10 to 606-787-7384.

■ A homeschooling parent meeting/workshop will be held Thursday, Jan. 15 at 6 p.m. at Lincoln County Public Library. Topics will be "Reading and Spelling Difficulties and Solutions" and "Your Freedom From Chaos, How To Get It All Done."

■ Healthy Cooking Class will meet Thursday, Jan. 15 at 6 p.m. at the

Casey County Public Library. For information call Brenda, 606-787-5323.

■ Casey County Hospital Auxiliary will meet Tuesday, Jan. 20 at 1 p.m. in the lobby of the hospital.

SUPPORT GROUPS

■ Narcotics Anonymous will meet Monday, Dec. 29 at 8 p.m. at Cornerstone Baptist Church (Lake Liberty). For information call 606-706-5627 or 859-576-4380.

■ A.A. will meet at 8 p.m. at the Casey County Library on Sunday, Dec. 28. For information call

606-787-5866.

■ Alcoholics Anonymous will meet at 8 p.m. at the Casey County Library on Friday, Dec. 26. For information call 606-787-5866.

■ The Casey County A.A. meeting will be at 8 p.m. at the First Christian Church fellowship hall on Tuesday, Dec. 30. For information call 606-787-7205 or 787-5866.

■ The Casey County Al-Anon meeting will be held at 8 p.m. at the First Christian Church on Tuesday, Dec. 30. For information call 606-303-4582 or 706-0071.

■ TOPS KY 404 will

meet at Westside Christian Church with weigh-in at 5 p.m. and meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 25. For information call Donna Mills, 606-787-6431.

■ Narcotics Anonymous will meet Thursday, Dec. 25 at 8 p.m. at Dunnville First Baptist Church, located at 13702 S. U.S. 127. For more information, call 606-706-9121 or 787-5866.

■ Multiple Sclerosis/Parkinson's Disease/Lou Gehrig's support group will meet Tuesday, Dec. 30 at 7 p.m. at First Baptist Church.

CHURCH

■ Atwood Chapel United Methodist Church will have a Christmas Eve service at 10 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 24.

■ Grove Ridge Baptist Church will have a Christmas Eve service at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 24.

■ Liberty United Methodist Church will have a celebration of music and light on Wednesday, Dec. 24 at 7 p.m. Call 606-787-8356 for information.

■ Thomas Ridge Christian Church will have watch night service on Wednesday, Dec. 31 at 8 p.m. with special singing by Tonya Gosser.

■ Mt. Calvary Baptist Church will have a guest speaker, Bro. Isaiah Super, on Wednesday, Dec. 31 at 7 p.m. Special music will be by Chad Godby.

■ Canaan Valley Separate Baptist Church will have watch night service on Wednesday, Dec. 31 at 8 p.m. with South of Heaven singers.

■ Casey County Baptist Association free clothing closet is open Tuesdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and Saturdays from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. weather permitting.

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Tips to prepare for winter weather

Heavy accumulations of ice and snow coupled with fluctuating winter temperatures can bring down utility poles, trees, and limbs. This can disrupt power. With this comes a threat to property and also to life, itself.

In a winter storm emergency, restoring power and heat to members is the highest priority, and South Kentucky RECC crews and contract crews work around the clock to restore service. Even so, it can take days to repair the devastating damage of a winter storm.

If you are in the midst of storm recovery, avoid going outside if possible. Downed power lines could be submerged in snow and ice and difficult to identify. When outside, treat all downed and hanging lines as if they are energized electric lines: Stay away, warn others to stay away, and immediately contact South Kentucky RECC or call 911. Remember that downed power lines do NOT have to be arcing, sparking or moving to be live and deadly.

South Kentucky RECC stresses the importance of being prepared for dangerous winter storms and the power outages they may cause. You need the right emergency items and knowledge to stay warm and safe in a winter storm. SKRECC emphasizes that everyone, particularly families with special needs, such as life-support equipment, must be prepared in case of a winter emergency and long-term power outages. Prepare an emergency kit with the following items:

- Battery-powered radio and flashlights with fresh batteries
- Extra blankets
- Water for drinking and washing
- Non-perishable food and a can opener. First aid kit and prescription medicines.

When a storm hits, your preparation should include

knowledge. The following tips can help you stay safe and warm:

■ Switch off lights and appliances to prevent damaging appliances and overloading circuits when power is restored. Leave one lamp or light switch on as a signal for when your power returns.

■ To prevent water pipes from freezing, keep faucets turned on slightly so that water drips from the tap. Know how to shut off water valves just in case a pipe bursts.

■ Do not use charcoal grills or gas ovens to heat your home; this could lead to carbon monoxide poisoning.

■ If you, or a family member, require life-support

equipment, please have an emergency plan in place for suitable shelter and additional oxygen tanks to get you through the outage.

■ Stay inside and dress in warm, layered clothing.

■ Close off unneeded rooms.

■ When using an alternative heat source, follow operating instructions, use fire safeguards and be sure to properly ventilate. Always keep a multipurpose, dry-chemical fire extinguisher nearby and know how to use it.

■ Stuff towels and rags underneath doors to keep the heat in.

■ Cover windows at

night.

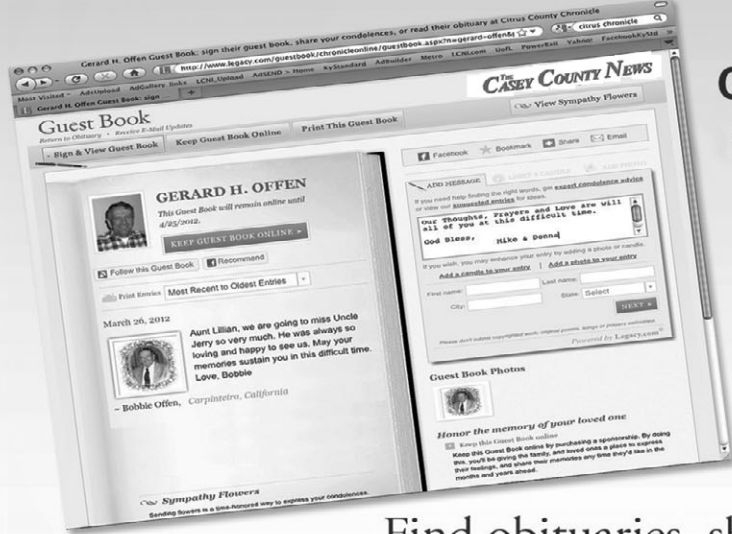
■ Maintain a regular diet. Food provides the body with energy for creating its own energy.

■ Drink plenty of fluids to stay hydrated.

■ Move around to keep warm, but not enough to perspire. Perspiring causes the body to lose fluids which could potentially lead to dehydration.

■ Keep a close eye on the temperature in your home. Infants or persons over age 65 are more susceptible to the cold. You may want to stay with friends, relatives or in a shelter if you can't keep your home warm.

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Casey District Court

The following cases were disposed of before Judge Michael Loy in Casey District Court. Amounts listed include fines and court costs.

Dec. 9

Jason R. Sallee, no/expired registration plates and no/expired Ky. registration receipt, dismissed, proof filed.
Daniel K. Wilkerson, theft

by deception, cold checks under \$500, plea of guilty, 10 days in jail suspended if paid in full by July 9.

Brenda Lee Cochran, two counts of theft by deception, cold checks under \$500, plea of guilty seven days in jail suspended if paid in full by April 9.

William R. Wethington, two counts of theft by deception, cold checks under \$500, plea of guilty, 20 days in jail

suspended if paid in full by May 14.

Dec. 11

Donald Landon McGinnis, first offense DUI, operating on a suspended/revoked operators license, plea of guilty, 90 days license suspension, \$750.50.

Francina Z. Neal, first-degree promoting contraband, bind over to grand jury.

Jason Elvis Luttrell, first-degree first offense possession of a controlled substance, meth; possession of drug paraphernalia, public intoxication of a controlled substance, bind over to grand jury.

Delois H. Wilcher, three counts of theft by deception, cold checks under \$500, dismissed, paid in full.

Ronnie Dale Lee Jr., theft by deception, cold checks under \$500, paid in full.

Garrard D. Rowland, failure to notify DOT of address change and one headlight, dismissed, proof filed.

Kayla Michelle Buis, first offense driving on a suspended DUI license and no/expired registration plates, plea of guilty, 90 days in jail suspended if no further complaints for two years, \$290.50.

Paula Monday, three counts of theft by deception, cold checks under \$500, dismissed, paid before court.

Maggie McKinsey Hale, theft by deception, cold checks under \$500, dismissed, paid before court.

Ashley Michelle Dial, public intoxication of a controlled substance, plea of guilty, \$230.50.

Jeremy Kyle Branscum, first offense unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and third-degree criminal mischief, plea of guilty, 30 days in jail, concurrent with circuit court time.

Dec. 16

Steven Wesley Lee, failure of non-owner operator to maintain insurance, \$190.50; no/expired registration plates, dismissed, proof filed.

Preston D. Jenkins, theft by deception, cold checks under \$500, plea of guilty, 10 days in jail suspended if paid in full by March 3.

Jonathan J. Scott, speeding, \$100, diversion program; failure to wear seat belts, failure of owner to maintain insurance, and failure to produce insurance card, dismissed.

Evette M. Norris, theft by deception, cold checks under \$500, plea of guilty, 10 days in jail suspended if paid in full by April 16.

Aaron Dale Vaughn, theft of services, plea of guilty, 10

days in jail, credit for four, with five to serve, balance conditionally discharged on condition no new offenses and pay restitution by June 16; probation for one year.

Aaron Dale Vaughn, falsely reporting an incident and public intoxication of a controlled substance, plea of guilty, \$205.50.

Dec. 18

Susan High, theft by deception, cold checks under \$500, plea of guilty, 10 days in jail if paid in full by April 21.

Deborah S. Helm, failure to wear seat belts and one headlight, warning; no/expired registration plates, no/expired registration plates, no/expired Ky. registration receipt, failure of owner to maintain insurance, and failure to produce insurance card, dismissed, proof filed.

John Price, license to be in possession and failure to produce insurance card, dismissed, proof filed.

Jorge Rubio Alvares, first offense DUI, plea of guilty, four days in jail, credit for time served, 90 days license suspension, possession of an open alcohol beverage container in a motor vehicle, no operator's license, and failure of owner to maintain insurance, \$915.50.

Joshua Summers, speeding, \$240.50; reckless driving, dismissed.

Nicholas Turpin, first offense DUI, plea of guilty, 90 days license suspension, \$725.50; failure to produce insurance card, failure to wear seat belts, and no/expired registration plates, dismissed, proof filed.

Zack Cochran, first-degree criminal mischief, dismissed based on information from the victim; leaving the scene of an accident/failure to render aid or assistance, amended to reckless driving; failure of owner to maintain required insurance, and driving a motor vehicle while license suspended for third offense or greater DUI, five days in jail conditionally discharged if no new offenses within one year; \$243 with proof of insurance or \$693 without proof.

Gregory Boyd Cochran, disregarding stop sign, first

offense DUI, first-degree first offense possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, operating on a suspended/revoked operator's license, and third-degree possession of a controlled substance, bind over to grand jury.

Peggy Evelyn Long, fourth-degree assault domestic violence no visible injury and abandonment of a minor, amended to second-degree wanton endangerment, plea of guilty, 12 months in jail, credit for time served, balance conditionally discharged for two years if no further violations of the law and, if Long completes an in-house treatment program, continue with comp core with monthly reports to the court.

Barry Burton, theft by unlawful taking under \$500, to be dismissed if paid by Dec. 23.

Civil judgments

Branch Banking & Trust Co. vs. Kevin Ray Goodman and Rachael Goodman, judgment for BB&T and order of sale, \$47,632 plus interest and fees.

Casey County Bank vs. Barry Joe Burton and Danyelle Pendleton, judgment for CCB and order of sale, \$115,481 plus interest and fees.

Casey County Bank vs. Tricia Durham, judgment for CCB and order of sale, \$49,193 plus interest and fees.

Casey County Bank vs. Rhonda K. Thompson, default judgment for CCB, \$6,584 plus interest and fees.

Central Bank and Trust Co. vs. Minnie Alice Murphy and Robin Crew, judgment for CB&T, \$6,687 plus interest and fees.

Credit Acceptance Corp. vs. Brandon Baez and Melissa Baez, judgment for CAC, \$8,447 plus interest and fees.

Divorces granted

Jonathon Edward Crew and Veronica Rochelle Crew

Donald Eugene Skaggs and Anita Gail Skaggs

Bobby Joe Wilson and Bullea Jo Wilson

James Lester Wilson and Thelma Rose Wilson

NEWS FROM AROUND Kentucky

Church builds home for woman in one day

Central Kentucky News Journal

With tears in her eyes, she watches as the volunteers build her a place to live. Just a few weeks ago, on the same land, stood a home she couldn't afford to repair that had significant damage. But now, a new home stands where her old one used to be.

And the majority of the home was built in a day - entirely from donations and volunteer labor. About 100 people pitched in on Saturday to build Ramona Penick of Greensburg, a long-time member at Beech Grove Baptist Church, a new home.

Beech Grove Baptist Church is located just across the Green County line, though the majority of the members are from Taylor County.

Elk Horn and Greensburg Baptist churches, along with other members from various denominations, pitched in to help. The effort began very early Saturday morning, with the goal to build the home in just one day.

At the end of the day, according to pastor Larry Rowell of Campbellsville, there was very little work left on the home. He said there is some drywall left, the home needs to be painted and flooring and appliances need to be installed. The goal, Rowell said, is for Penick to move in by Tuesday.

On Saturday morning, Penick sat nearby and watched as workers cut wood, nailed siding and insulation, poured concrete and much more to build her a new home.

"They started driving nails before daylight," she said.

At 6:30 a.m., Penick said, the concrete base of her new home had been poured.

"In two hours and six minutes, the trusses were on," she said.

The outside walls of her new home, located near her church, were up in 23 minutes.

Penick said her former home was nearly caving in and was no longer safe. Faced with not having enough money to pay for repairs, she moved into the church's parsonage in October. Her home was soon torn down and plans were in the works to build a new one. Many construction companies in Campbellsville and Greensburg have donated supplies and free labor toward Penick's new home.

"It's been a whirlwind. I don't have the words," she said. "I know this is from God and I'm grateful. But how do you thank somebody for building you a house?"

In addition to donated materials and labor, Penick said, church members have also pitched in to make sure she has a place to live.

"It's God's answer to a prayer," she said. "It's his work."

From Post-it Notes to Pop Tarts: it's made in Ky.

Lexington Herald-Leader

Everybody knows Kentucky makes bourbon and Thoroughbred horses. And most folks know about the Camrys and houseboats made here, too. But the state's 4,000-plus manufacturers make a lot more than that. And these goods are sold all over the world.

Here are some of the more unexpected things made in Kentucky, according to the state:

■ JIF: Introduced in 1958, all JIF peanut butter (now owned by Smucker's) is made in Lexington. Fun fact: The JIF plant uses 188 billion peanuts a year.

■ Post-it Notes: Invented in 1968, America's familiar yellow "sticky note" is made by the 3M Company in Cynthiana.

■ Bowling balls: Ebonite, Columbia 300, Track, and Hammer brand bowling balls are manufactured in Hopkinsville.

■ Hot Pockets: The popular snack food is made by Nestlé Prepared Foods in Mt. Sterling.

■ Tiffany engagement rings: Tiffany & Co., in Lexington, produces the classic six-pronged engagement ring and other pieces of fine jewelry.

■ Treadmills and weights: Life Fitness, in Falmouth, makes athletic equipment for all MLB and NFL teams, most NHL and NBA teams, many college athletics programs and the U.S. military.

■ Reynolds Wrap: All Reynolds Wrap aluminum foil is produced in Louisville, which is where it was founded in 1919.

■ Playing cards: The United States Playing Card Company, in Erlanger, produces and distributes the nation's favorite brands of playing cards, including Bee, Bicycle, Aviator and Hoyle.

■ Disco balls: Ninety percent of all disco balls made in the U.S. are manufactured

by Omega National Products in Louisville, which also makes kitchen cabinetry.

■ Pop-Tarts: The breakfast favorite is made at the Kellogg's facility in Pikeville.

■ iPhone glass: The Corning Incorporated plant in Harrodsburg makes the Gorilla glass used in iPhones.

■ Dixie cups: Dixie cups and plates are made by the Georgia-Pacific company, which has facilities in Bowling Green and Lexington.

Mutilated puppies found in Garrard County

Advocate-Messenger

Garrard County Animal Control officers seek leads in the mutilations of three lab mix puppies found dead on Highway 753 on Friday in the northern part of the county.

Animal control officer Kendall Gerald said three of the dogs were thrown by the street gutted, with their throats slit, in front of the owner's home. Another female puppy is alive and in foster care, Gerald added.

"A caller noticed they had marks on them and thought they had been run over," Gerald said.

Photos of the scene don't show any tire marks or other evidence that can be linked to the case, Gerald said. The dogs are believed to be around 6-8 weeks old. Because of how they were found, Gerald said they are looking at a number of potential issues.

"We haven't had any reports of other cases like this in the county," Gerald added.

A \$250 reward was posted on Friday morning but Gerald said Saturday that it had been upped to about \$700.

Garrard County Sheriff Ronnie Wardrip said no one called his agency about the incident until animal control contacted him. A deputy was sent to take a report from the caller but found nothing substantial, Wardrip added. Several male huskies and boxers have been reported stolen lately in Garrard County, Gerald said, and two female German shepherds.

"We think they were stolen for breeding purposes," Gerald said.

To leave tips, call Garrard County Animal Control, (859) 792-1562, or the sheriff's office, (859) 792-3591.

House leaders push right to vote on tax increases

State Journal

House leaders introduced local-option sales tax legislation for the 2015 session Friday that will give Kentuckians the power to vote on a tax increase for their local community projects.

Speaker Greg Stumbo stood with House leaders and both Louisville and Lexington mayors stating that House Bill 1 is the truest sense of democracy at work and currently has 16 co-sponsors in the House.

Kentuckians will have the chance to vote twice for the tax: Once in November 2016 as an amendment to the state constitution and, if it passes, in their communities when projects are proposed through fiscal courts and city councils in their communities.

The local-option sales tax would allow residents to vote for up to a 1 percent sales tax increase on development projects in their community.

Just like other state exemptions, the sales tax could not be attached to food, medicine, utilities or automobiles.

When voters pass the tax through a referendum, the tax would end with a predetermined date.

While Kentucky would join 38 other states that have passed the option, the proposed legislation here, however, faced immediate opposition. Rep. Jim Wayne, D-Louisville, told *The State Journal* he was disappointed in Stumbo's support of the local-option sales tax on Thursday and considered him a flip-flopper.

"He was opposed to it in the last session and I guess he has been steered by his inner forum," Wayne said. "We know low-income folks don't vote in large numbers. This is a regressive tax."

Stumbo said after conversations with Gov. Steve Beshear he had changed his mind about the bill and that everyone is equally taxed when it comes to a local-option sales tax.

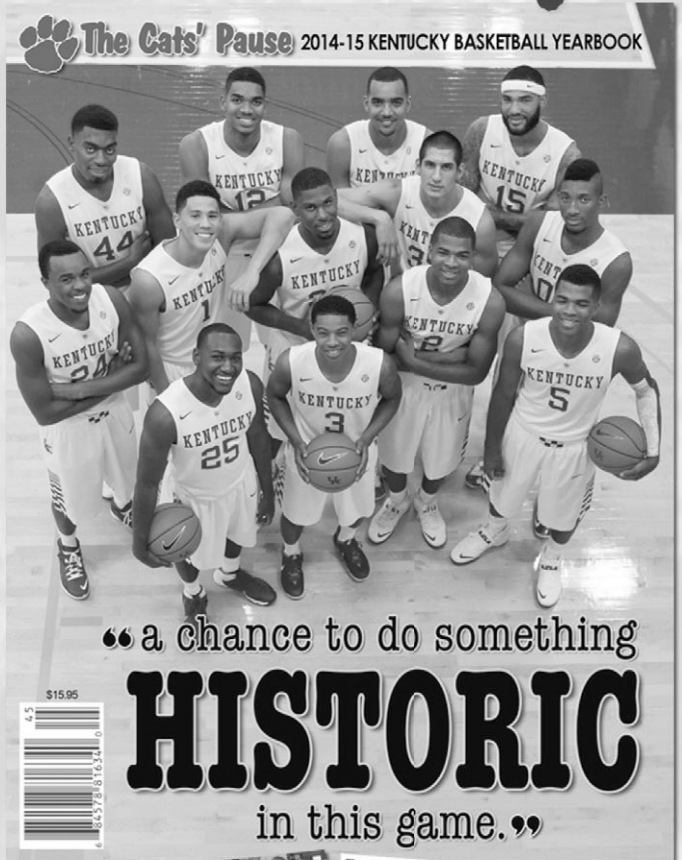
"A gasoline tax impacts a person at the lower socio-economic scale as far as their disposable wages more significantly than it does someone with higher wages," Stumbo said. "If they buy a pack of cigarettes it's the same. If they buy a six-pack of beer it's the same. It's not fair to say this is some sort of regressive tax on low-income folks."

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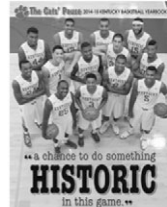
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PRIDE honors CCMS for service learning project

PRIDE has honored Casey County Middle School for a service learning project completed by its students during the 2013-2014 school year.

Just under 150 seventh-grade students participated in the project, which was led by teacher Karin Weddle.

They researched, designed and built a butterfly garden at the Casey County Ag Expo Center. They added wildlife habitat and rain barrels, which they built at an environmental camp in June.

"We commend the students for using their knowledge and skills to build a garden that will be enjoyed by their community and will benefit wildlife, too," said PRIDE's Jennifer Johnson, who presented the school's



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Kayla Goad and Brenna Hayes accepted the school's PRIDE Environmental Education Project of the Month Award from PRIDE's Jennifer Johnson (center).

PRIDE Environmental Education Project of the Month Award.

"Mrs. Weddle and her colleagues not only made science come to life for

these students, but also gave them a chance to make a lasting impact on Casey County," Johnson said. "This was a fun, memorable experience. This project showcases the power of hands-on learning to create life-long lessons."

The project lasted several months.

First, students researched biotic and abiotic factors needed to maintain a sustainable habitat for butterflies.

Then, they determined which factors would work for a Kentucky environment.

Next, they selected appropriate Kentucky native plants for their butterfly garden.

"They made a list of the height and width of the mature plants and designed a

scaled butterfly garden on their Chromebooks and/or graph paper," Weddle said. "The classroom teacher selected the top 10 designs and the owner of a local greenhouse selected the final design."

The students then selected a garden site at the Casey County Ag Expo Center.

"At this location, members of the community and the residents of the county's nursing/rehabilitation center can enjoy the garden," Weddle said. "A local farmer prepared the ground for us, and the students measured the location of plants, planted the plants and added mulch to the area."

They also planted Kentucky native trees in the camping sites.

Students studied the life

cycle of butterflies during the project.

They observed butterflies emerge from chrysalis bought by the school. They later released the butterflies in the garden.

As part of the project, the school sponsored an environmental camp in June.

At the camp, students built wooden bird houses, gourd birdhouses, wooden bee houses, squirrel houses and rain barrels for the garden. Extra rain barrels were painted and sold.

The proceeds were donated to the local college fund.

PRIDE is a nonprofit organization supporting environmental cleanup and education efforts in the region.

The PRIDE web site is www.kypride.org.

OUT OF THE PAST

10 Years Ago Week of Dec. 29, 2004

The South Fork Volunteer Fire Department, which came under scrutiny by the Kentucky Fire Commission, was the defendant in a civil suit filed by the Casey County Bank.

More than 80 members of the National Guard's 1/623 rd Field Artillery Unit Battery B, came home to shouts, cheers, and tears.

A Christmas Day accident left a Casey County boy hospitalized at the University of Kentucky Medical Center. The accident occurred as he was playing with his brother's bow and arrow, a Christmas gift, and slipped on a patch of ice. The arrow he held in his hand pierced the skin between his left eye and nose.

Liquid or Power Tide laundry detergent was \$5.99 at Abe's Pic-Pac.

Ora Spears of Bethelridge celebrated her 95th birthday.

James and Claris Branstetter celebrated their 50th anniversary.

Obituaries: Anna Frances Luttrell, 64; Agatha Mae Shaw, 64; Jamie Cochran 34; Lela O. Henson, 87; Emma Beatrice Rigney, 96; Steven L. Salyers, 43; Donald Coleman, 49; Richard J. Moran, 71.

20 Years Ago Week of Dec. 28, 1994

Work was started on the Casey County High School roof and was expected to be completed by the time school resumed after the Christmas break.

Toys for Tots distributed toys to more than 450 children. More than \$4,000 was raised locally for the program.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Cochran, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Gorley, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jeffries celebrated their 51st wedding anniversaries at Atwood Chapel Methodist Church.

C.J. and Ida Lee Thomas celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Ann Harper, a junior at the University of Kentucky, won a scholarship from the UK College of Agriculture by writing an essay on what 4-H had done for her.

Cecil Pemberton displayed two large turnips, one weighing six pounds, three ounces and the other weighing five pounds, two ounces.

Andy Greynolds, the county's solid waste coordinator, said people wanting to get rid of live Christmas trees could bring them to the appliance recycling center.

Students named to the Dean's List who achieved perfect grade point averages at the Kentucky College of Business were Christie R. Richardson, Paula J. Durham, and Anita G. Wesley. Other students honored for academic excellence were Melanie A. King, Dana M. Roy, and Penelope L. Martin.

Five pounds or more of ground beef were 99 cents per pound at Food World.

Obituaries: Juritha Snow, 89; Mack G. King, 79; Ernest E. Porter, 83; Arch B. Hill, 87; Paul E. Godbey, 66; Jesse R. Wilcher, 84; Clayton C. Thompson, 68; Lester C. Frederick, 80; Roy C. Brown, 77; Wayne Cheek, 66; Clifton D. Luttrell, 36; Beverly J. Rodgers, 40; Elvin J. Foley, 55.

30 Years Ago Week of Dec. 31, 1984

A fight over a pig led to the death of a man who was shot by his brother.

A Liberty man was arrested in Danville after he allegedly stabbed another Liberty man at a Christmas party at the Holiday Inn Motel.

Marilyn Edwards of Marion County was chosen to be the new county Extension Agent for Home Economics. She replaced Shirley Shepersen who was to retire Feb. 15.

Kenneth Richardson announced his candidacy for the office of Coroner of Casey County.

Carmela Richardson, 8, and Michael Edwards, 7, won

the "Letters to Santa" contest sponsored by The Casey County News.

Starting Jan. 1, persons renewing car registrations would be required to show proof of insurance before being issued vehicle registration.

A diesel truck carrying air freight went out of control and turned on its side during rains on Christmas Eve.

A five-pound bag of Colonial Sugar was \$1.29 at Food World.

Obituaries: Fred Conatser, 65; Edward McDonough, Sr., 65; Curtis Wesley, 77; Charlotte Thomas, 48; Richard Whitehouse, 4; Ether Ann Propes, 90; Anna Margaret Taylor, 50.

40 Years Ago Week of Jan. 2, 1975

Approval was given to General Telephone of Kentucky for its first general rate increase in this area in more than 14 years.

State Representative Raymond Overstreet announced that he would not be a candidate for Lieutenant Governor of Kentucky in 1975.

Two young Holstein calves were killed with a shotgun on the Herbert Davis farm on Highway 206.

George Wolford and George Noble visited farms in the Krasnodar area of Russia.

Roger Tarter was to have a three-quarter heifer in the national Maine Anjou sale in Denver, Colo.

New license plates were to have letters for the first three digits instead of numbers.

Marine Lance Corporal Roger D. Stubblefield was promoted to his present rank while serving with the 8th Engineer Battalion deployed in Puerto Rico.

George Noble, county Extension Agent for Agriculture, retired and was presented with a gift certificate for fishing equipment by the extension office staff.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Noel celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

FOCUS ON THE PAST



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Dunnville Post Office

The old Dunnville Post Office was constructed under the supervision of Owen L. Ellis, who served as postmaster for many years. Prior to this, Ellis was a merchant and postmaster in a building which stood near the location of the Casey County Bank of Dunnville on River Road. Following Ellis, his son-in-law, Leland Rubarts, was postmaster. The last person to serve in this building was Postmistress Cathy Cook.

Shoulder roast was 99 cents per pound at A&D Supermarket.

Obituaries: Oscar Roy, 78; Betty Patterson, 94; Gregory Keith McAninch, 21; Oliver Barnett, 92; Sylvester (S.V.) Meece, 76; Frank Richards, 70.

50 Years Ago Week of Dec. 31, 1964

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Wednesday, Dec. 24 — Brown sugar ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, apple pie, roll, margarine, milk.

Thursday, Dec. 25 — Center closed. Frozen meal — Grilled chicken strips with sweet and sour sauce, spinach, mexie corn, roll, margarine, fruit cup, milk.

Friday, Dec. 26 — Center closed. Frozen meal — Grilled pork pattie, diced apples with cinnamon, spinach, roll, margarine, milk, cookie.

Monday, Dec. 29 — Salisbury steak with gravy, carrots, lima beans, peaches, roll, margarine, milk.

Tuesday, Dec. 30 — Vegetable soup, chicken salad sandwich, leaf of lettuce, apple, bread, crackers, milk.

Activities

Wednesday, Dec. 24 — 8 a.m., Crossword and Coffee; 10 a.m., Game day with Randy (blood pressure check, personal care); 12 p.m. card games, puzzles. Holiday tunes all day.

Thursday, Dec. 25 — Closed. Merry Christmas!

Friday, Dec. 26 — Closed. Merry Christmas!

Monday, Dec. 29 — 8 a.m., Crossword and Coffee; 10 a.m., fitness walk/

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Apostolic Lighthouse

Bro. Eric Miller started Sunday service with "Jesus Christ, the Same Yesterday, Today and Forever," from Hebrews 13:8. Bro. Danny Warren taught on "Where Is Our Joy?" from Luke 2:10-15. Attendance was 29.

Bro. Eric started evening service with "Jesus Christ, the Same Yesterday, Today and Forever," from Revelation 19:11-16. Bro. Danny's message, "Where's Jesus?" from Isaiah 9:6-7. Attendance was 25.

Prayer requests: Rick Cooper, Bobby Lynn family, Mark and Beverly Payton, Bob Garrett, Chris and Samantha McQueary, Janet Meeks, Jr. Murphy, Jr. Emerson, Lindsay Warren, Rodney Hundley, Beverly Clements, Rita Rodgers, Whitney Murphy, Ronald Meeks and Daniel Absher.

Bruces Chapel

Attendance was 45. Miranda Richardson led the children sermon. Bro. Creech's message, "The True Reason," was from Luke 8.

Wednesday night will be a candle light service at 6:30 p.m.

Brush Creek

Attendance was 79 with 20 in children's church. Caleb Isaac Cochran, son of Kaylin Cochran and grandson of Scott and Angie Cochran, was dedicated. Sunday school lesson was from Matthew 1:16-25. Mary Sue Shoopman, Carla Atwood and Casey Atwood had birthdays. Freddie and Ada Luttrell had an anniversary.

There will be no Wednesday service. Watch night service will be Dec. 31 at 7 p.m. with special singing by Heaven Bound.

Prayer requests: Bobby Lynn family, Beryl King, Jewel Peyton, Bridgett Lynn, Freddie and Ada Luttrell, Margaret Rodgers, Kellie Whitis, Glinda Beal and Ronald Cochran.

Ellisburg

Attendance was 55. Special music was by the Maids. Bro. Bud Stidham's message was from II Corinthians. The church went caroling at the Golden Living Nursing Home.

There will be no Wednesday night service.

Prayer list: Rachel Rice, Hazel Henson, Madeline Lynn, Norma Warner, Della Hale, Meagan New, Rosa Mae Crowe, Jimmie Reed, Faye Crowe, Danny Ison, and Rick Cooper.

First Christian

Prayer was requested for the family of Felicia Spivey, Rose Buis, David McAnelly, Rick Cooper, Debbie Deiterle, Greg Wahl, Mike Tillot, Kenneth Durham, Alma Lou Sayers, and Maranda Barlow.

Worship & Wonder's focus was "The Magi Show the Way to Bethlehem."

Special thanks to those who joined for caroling and Bill and Billie Roark for their hospitality following caroling.

Grove Ridge

Attendance was 29 with Bro. Tim Harris' message from John 1:2-14. Christmas play had 26 in attendance. Song leaders were Ronald Allen and Helen Watts. Robie Prater and Jared Watts had birthdays.

Christmas Eve service is at 7 p.m. on Wednesday.

Prayer requests: Gene Spears, Kellie Hatter, Dereck and Claire Falconbury, Zack Summers, Grandma Hogue, Ronald Allen, Dexter and Bonnie Dick, Fred Greene, Alma Lou Sayers, Bill Meece, Robie's niece Maddie, Murrell and Reba Phillippe, Butch and Betsy Godbey, David and Amanda Bentley, Johnathan and Amber Prater, Bill Powers, Ashley Powers, and Nora McKinney.

Hwy. 49

Attendance was 41 with 13 in the children's penny march. Earlene Owens had a birthday. Bro. Phillip Smallwood's message, "The Richest Man in the Manger," was from Isaiah 9:6, Matthew 1:18-25 and 2:1-4.

His evening message was from John 4:31-38 and II Corinthians 9:6, "Sowing Good Seed."

Wednesday night was our Christmas play, "The Christmas Story Is Not a Fable."

Prayer requests: Dawn Burton, Granny Denson, David Weddle, Charles and Patsy Harmon, Justin Sharp, Leah Smallwood, Tesla Abell, Noah Luttrell, Kaitlyn Underwood, and Bobby Lynn family.

Jennies Chapel

Attendance was 55. Pastor Wayne Cole's message, "Looking at Holy Ghost Spirit in the Christmas Story," was from Luke 1. The church went caroling on Saturday night and handed out fruit baskets. Sunday night was the Christmas play, "The Night Ben Filbert Was Touched By an Angel," with finger foods afterwards.

There will be no Bible study or church service on Wednesday.

Latter Day Saints

Attendance was 72. Jerry Long conducted the service. Invocation was by Arlen Sanders. Sacrament was administered by Mike Sumner, Kevin Foley, Andrew Mercer-Long, Lucas Foley, and Julian Clifton.

The Christmas program was presented by Jessiah Burgess, "Joy to the World," Missy Roysten, "The Story of 'I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day,'" and Lara Howard, "The Christmas Truce of 1914." The choir and Elder Asay had special music.

Raymond Burgess' message was "He Sent His Son." Benediction was by Larry Crenshaw.

Middleburg

The nursery, pre-school, younger and older children's Sunday school classes put together and delivered 75 fruit baskets to seniors in the area.

On Sunday morning, the Middleburg Musical Messengers provided special music. Bro. Keith read Matthew 2:1-12 as he talked about the wise men.

Bro. Keith used Matthew 2:2-6 on Sunday evening as he preached about the "lost" reason we celebrate Christmas.

There will be no Wednesday service. The youth Christmas program is Sunday night.

Biweekly prayer meeting is Dec. 30.

Prayer list: Wendell Bowling, Joe Dick, Mike Durham, Mike Elliott, Irene Frederick, Butch Godbey, Ashley Hatter, Priscilla Jones, Bradley Passmore, Peggy Schoellman, Brian Stucker, Ron Taylor, and Randy Hatfield family.

Mt. Calvary Baptist

Attendance for Sunday school was 25 with 60 for worship. Bro. Ronnie's message, "What Christmas Is," was from Luke 2:1-20, 1:26-38, 46-55, I Corinthians 1:27, Matthew 1:18-25 and Micah 5:2. Youth presented a puppet show about Christmas. Children's service was by Linda Thompson.

Evening service was the Christmas play by the youth followed by distribution of gifts. Fruit bags were passed out to the congregation.

There will be no services on Wednesday. Bro. Isaiah Super will hold regular service on Dec. 31 at 7 p.m. with Chad Godbey bringing special singing. A love offering will be taken the first Sunday in January for the Curtis Cravens family.

Prayer requests: Kaden Haste, Bradley Passmore, Rachel Godbey Thornburg, Madeline Lynn, and Butch Godbey.

Mt. Calvary Community

Attendance was 58. Devotional was by Bro. Paul Wilkerson from Matthew 1:21-25. Sunday school lesson was by Josh Robinson from Luke 2:1, Matthew 1:23-25 and 2:1-2. Bro. Keith Davis' message was from Luke 8:40.

Eva Farmer and Ayden Davis celebrated birthdays.

Prayer requests: Rosemary Daniels, Randy Price, Butch Godbey, Randal Cundiff, Pete Lee, Bobby Lynn family, Mike and Beverly Clements, and Darlene Dehart.

Mt. Olive

Attendance was 75 for Sunday school. The lesson, "Give Glory to God," was from Psalm 19. Worship

service had 120. The message, "The Man Who Missed Christmas," was from Matthew 2:1-16. Abigail Parton was baptized.

Birthdays were Leif Lawson and Samantha Lee. Anniversary was Jerry and Vickie Durham.

There were 150 for the evening service. The Living Christmas Tree Program, "Everybody Sing," was presented through song and a play.

There will be no Wednesday services.

Prayer request: Conner Wesley, Butch Godbey, Melissa Imhoff, and families of Bobby Lynn and Randy Hatfield.

Mt. Pleasant

Devotional reading was from Psalm 17 by Bro. Larry Bell. Oldest person present was and youngest was Miriana Urbina. Terry Goodin and Zathera Pittman had birthdays. Charles and Barbara Norflett and Kevin and Jessica Bryant had anniversaries. Special music was by Shirley Land and Karey Sellers. Bro. Terry's message was from Luke 7:24-39.

Prayer requests: Roger Grant, Rick Cooper, Beverly Clements, Vallard Goode, Clint Bowling, Colton Taylor, Madison Weddle, Leisha Witt Taylor, Sarah Lynn, Adrian Davis, Alma Sayers, Evie Lee, Tony Luttrell, Holly Hayes, Easton Squires, Margaret Caudill, Mildred Cochran, Harold and Lydia Clark, Don and Shirley Land, Shirley Helm, Becky Ray, Otis Clements, John Owens, Anthony Wethington, Zach Summers, Barry Murphy, Jamie Bryant, Braydon Taylor, Darrell Meeks, Dorothy Evans, Audie Cherry, and families of Randy Hatfield, Pearl Irvin and Kaye Crane.

Old Time Ind. Baptist

Attendance was 15 for Sunday school. Bro. Andrew Luttrell's devotion from John 10:9, "The Door." Bro. Tony Rodgers taught from Luke 16:19-22, "How To Be a Beggar." Worship attendance was 28. Bro. Ricky Rodgers preached from I Kings 22:29-39, "Going Into Battle Disguised."

Evening attendance was 22. We visited at the Casey County Hospital and had a singing service.

Prayer requests: Ricky Rodgers, Jerry Courtwright, Jeff Gibson, Tony and Cicily Rodgers, Sherry Coleman, Bo Sherrell, Kathy Sherrell, David, Norma and McKenna Wilham, Chris Cundiff, Ray Martin, Andrew Luttrell, Billy Martin, Ruth Mason, Sue Rodgers, Michael, Nora and Jet Rodgers, Wanda and Bentley Whitehead, Shane and Kara Rodgers, Hope Calhoun, Jim Vaught, Steven DeLong, Sandra McClure, Kelly Grant, Angie Mason, and Danny Hall.

Poplar Grove

Attendance was 47. Bro. Brent's message, "The Prophecy of Christmas," was from Genesis 49:8-10, Micah 5:2, Isaiah 9:6, and Galatians 4. Arlena McFarland and Bonnie King had the children's message.

Prayer concerns: Marilyn Lane, Quentin Allen, Annetta Daniel, Teresa Coffman, Stan Fogle, Keyera McFarland, Phyllis Cannon, Christine Wiser, Jacob McFarland, Rick Cooper, Dale Wilkinson, Paul Hale, Taylor Allen, Walker Coffman, Jeff Gosser, Patsy Gilpin, Grayson Lynn, Gerri Phillippe, Alma Salyers, Neva Randolph, Rebecca Smith, Lewis Gilpin, Teresa Richards, Doris Richards, Coy and Polly Rigney, Ken Luttrell, Rex Rader, Junior Emerson, Jay Rose, Keith Peyton, Missy Hart Marrs, Bill Cochran, Venita Warner, Carl Melton, Mike Durham, and Anita Canary.

Rich Hill

Bro. Lynville's Thursday night message, "Our Country," came from Isaiah 1:4-7 and 9-20.

Devotional, read by Tim Buis, came from I John 4:1-12. Bible study was from II Corinthians 8:1-6. Bro. Lynville's evening message, "What is Christmas?" came from Isaiah 9:6-7 and Matthew 1:18-25.

Special music was by Stephanie Buis. Christmas night, Jeff Buis will have a special reading of the Christmas story.

Prayer requests: Doris Edens, Wanda Wilham, Caitlynn Murphy, Butch and Betsy Godbey, Alex Colvin, Kenzie Gentry, Wayne and Janet Wilson, Wes Page, Tyler Buis, Tim and Tara Buis, Jannis Phelps, Doris Noel, Audrey Hurt, James Dean, Brandon Greene, Joey and Becky Hatter, Sondra Burress, Boone McQueary, Fred Cravens, Rick Cooper, Lilburn McQueary, Betty Douglas, Rachel Vaught, Jeff Buis, Lorene Vaught, Andrew Conner, Eugene Watson, Lynville Hatter, Rolland and Kristi Gentry, Jenny Atkins, Terry Craig Buis, Travis Buis, Chad and Amanda Peyton, Steven Elliott, Cody Peyton, Eddie Richardson, Pattie Fuschino, Bobby Lynn family, Carroll Dean and Jennifer Elliott, Deloris Heckman, and Maxine Roy.

Rocky Ford

Rev. Matt's sermon was from Luke 2:18-19, "Considering Christ." Foster and Pat Followell had an anniversary.

Prayer concerns: Rick Cooper, David McAnelly, George Reed, Betty Bernard, Bobby Wilcher, Ethyleen Zachary, Gary Lay, Boyd Brown, Alice Wilson, J.C. and Karen Atwood, Vivian Foster, Lucille McAnelly, Paula Brown, Bill Thompson, Dale Lee, Bobby Pruitt, and Paul Reed.

Sacred Heart

Attendance was 50. Homily theme/reflection was "Like an Angel Through Covenant," from II Samuel 7:1-5, 8B-12, 14A, 16; Psalm 89:2-5, 27-29; Romans 16:25-27, and Luke 1:26-38.

Christmas Eve vigil mass at 8 p.m. will be preceded by hymns/carols at 7:30 p.m. Scripture will be Isaiah 62:1-5, Psalm 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; and Matthew 1:1-25. Christmas Day mass scripture will be Isaiah 52:7-10; Psalm 98:1-6; Hebrews 1:1-6; and John 1:1-18.

Next Sunday's scripture readings will be Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14; Psalm 128:1-5; Colossians 3:12-21; and Luke 2:22-40.

Blessing and installation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus statue will be after holy mass on Dec. 28. Retreat for the Inauguration of the Year of Grace will be Jan. 10 from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Traditional annual Lenten retreat will be

Feb. 28 from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at St. Bernard.

St. Bernard

Attendance was 95. Homily theme/reflection was "Transformed Through Covenant," from II Samuel 7:1-5, 8B-12, 14A, 16; Psalm 89:2-5, 27-29; Romans 16:25-27, and Luke 1:26-38.

Christmas midnight mass scripture will be preceded by hymns/carols at 11:30 p.m. Scripture will be Isaiah 9:1-6, Psalm 96:1-3, 11-13, Titus 2:11-14, and Luke 2:1-14.

Christmas Day mass scripture will be Isaiah 52:7-10; Psalm 98:1-6; Hebrews 1:1-6; and John 1:1-18.

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Thomas Ridge

Bro. Hershel's message, "How Jesus Has Affected Your Life," was from Isaiah 9:6-7.

Watch night service will be Dec. 31 at 8 p.m.

Prayer concerns are for Rick Cooper, Rick Hogue, Mike Lee, Mary Ann Blair, Beverly Clements, Mason Smallwood, Arthur Singleton, Arnold Holtzclaw, Ramona and Bruce Luttrell, Bill Wilson, Mark Wilson, Andrew Conner, Flonnie Marple, Don Reed, Danny Wilkerson, Edith Fox, Grace Anna Rogers, Darrell Meeks, Randy Hatfield family, Lindy Roy, and Jackie Roy.

Poplar Springs

Attendance was 34 for Sunday school and 54 for worship. Bro. David L. Johnson's devotional was from Luke 2:8-20. Bro. Johnny Maupin's children's sermon was the Christmas story from Luke 2:1-20. Special music was by the choir, Marveta Russell and Blake Durham. Bro. Johnny's sermon was from Luke 2:1-20.

Attendance for the Christmas play was 59. There will be no service on Christmas Eve. AWANA begins Jan. 7.

Prayer requests: David Pitman, Rick Cooper, Lester

and Faye Larkins, Ron Zeiss, C.D. Hale's grandson, David McAnelly, Bill and Ada Thompson, Sue Clements, Shirley Dalton's mom, Randy Hatfield family, Ruth Mason, Debbie Gosser's mother, Greg Godbey, Inga Stephens, George Cocanougher, Jessica Hale, Alma Lou Sayers, Paula Ramsey, Tracy Johnson, Kenny Clements, Regina Putteet, and Judge Mike Miller family.

Valley Oak

Attendance was 49 for Sunday school and 64 for worship. Samantha Branscum read I John 3:18 for devotional. Special singing was by the church quartet and Natalie Woodcock. Christmas Eve service will be at 7 p.m.

Prayer requests: Gene Shadoan, Mary Jo Owens, Chuck Woodcock, Larry and Bonnie Wesley, Linda Singleton, Vincent Wall, Butch Godbey, Tommy Watson, Marvin and Susan Godbey, Deva Mullins, Aunda Cravens, Bobby and Loueva Clark, Fred Cravens family, Douglas Gorton, Boyd Roy, Melline Hodge, Arthur and Wilma Wesley, Joyce Wilham, J.T. Murphy, Danny Joe Spears, Edna Maddox, Mary Lou Carman, Terry, Jeanie and Gentry Mullins, Rick Cooper, Alma Lou and Paul Sayers, Beverly Phelps, Bro. Reggie Tipton, Karen Atwood, Ronald Lawless, Charlie Ritter, Linda Wyatt, and Gene Clark.

Walnut Hill

Attendance was 73 with six in the youth choir. Bro. Rodney Smith's message, "What Does Christmas Mean to You?" was from Matthew 1:18-25.

Evening service was the Christmas play. There will be no service on Wednesday.

Prayer requests: Rick Cooper, Junior Murphy, Boyd Roy, Kristen Weddle, Harold Hardin, Kelly Caudill, Bailey Caudill, Jackie Bowman, Eloise Smith, Vicki Cowan, Emily Enix, Edward Rayborn, Bobby Lee McFarland, Alma Lou Sayers, Lewis and Sarah Brown, Lavon Murphy, Walker Coffman, Dylan Hale, Fern and Edwin Murphy, Junior Gilpin, Keiten McMurphy, Ashley Price, Darbie Rayborn, Boyd Cochran, Everett Wells, Judy Price, Maxine Stafford, Marlo Warner, and Rodney Hundley.



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Monticello Banking Company recently made a donation to Toys for Kids. From left are Teresa Wethington, Karen Minton, Barbara Jeffries, Melissa Cochran, Brittany Weddle, Bonita Feese, Stacey Beeler, and Anne Leigh.

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Laura B. Scott Family and Cosmetic Dentistry now open

By Abigail Whitehouse
Staff Writer

After earning a bachelor's degree in biology from the University of Kentucky, and a Doctor of Dental Medicine degree from the University of Louisville, Laura B. Scott has opened her own family and cosmetic dentistry practice.

A graduate of Casey County High School, Scott returned to Liberty with her education and set up shop to offer the local community a variety of dental care and services.

After opening in November, Scott said the office has been a happening place.

"We're staying busy here," Scott said.

The services offered by

Scott cover a broad spectrum of dental care. Whether it's routine dental procedures, such as check-ups, cleanings, fillings, extractions, and root canals, or cosmetic services like in-office and take-home whitening, veneers, and full and partial dentures.

"We do a little bit of everything every day," Scott said. "We take walk-ins and if we can see them, we try to get them in. We try to get everyone in as soon as we can."

There are not many services that Scott isn't willing to offer.

"I try to do everything I can here," Scott said. "If I can't do it here then I'll refer patients, but if I can I will."

Currently, Scott has one

part-time dental hygienist and two spacious rooms open for use, but future plans call for as many as six rooms.

"We have plenty of room for expansion in the future," Scott said.

Gift certificates for products and services can be purchased at the office, which has items such as whitening toothpaste, custom trays, and on-the-go whitening kits for sale.

Laura B. Scott Family and Cosmetic Dentistry, located at 428 Hustonville Street in Liberty, is open on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For more information call (606) 787-2688.



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Located at 428 Hustonville Street in Liberty, Laura B. Scott Family and Cosmetic Dentistry offers a full line of routine dental care, as well as cosmetic services, for all ages.

Penny's Place: 'Where friends become family'

By Abigail Whitehouse
Staff Writer

Nothing says 'old country store' like the smell of coffee and breakfast sandwiches. At Penny's Place you'll find those and a lot more.

In 2012, Steve and Penny Jones took on the task of renovating what is now Penny's Place, formerly Dean's Grocery on Ky. 1547, and as the store has grown, so has their vision.

A year and a half later, Penny's Place was ready to open and since they have been welcomed into the arms of the Casey County community.

"One of our mottos is that we always want to provide bread, milk, eggs, and gas," Penny said. "As we were renovating, we realized that providing food was a big need in the area."

Steve, Penny's husband, has a passion for cooking, and even more for cooking food that people love.

"My husband is an amazing cook," Penny said. "People have just raved about everything he has cooked."

In an effort to gauge the community's likes and dislikes, Penny said Steve has been cooking a variety of things.

"We want to provide what the people here need," Penny said. "If there is something



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Penny's Place has more than the essentials of your average convenience store. The store, located at 10800 Ky. 1547, in Liberty, is 'where friends become family.'

we don't have and someone wants it, we'll get it."

Specialty coffee is one thing that sets Penny's Place apart from other convenience stores.

"Mondays are Mocha Monday," Penny said. "We advertise our Douwe Egbert's premium coffee, which we worked really hard to get here. I've only seen this coffee in two other places, one was Malone's in Lexington. We're very fortunate to have this coffee."

French Dip sandwiches are also featured on Monday's menu.

Tuesdays and Thursdays at Penny's Place are called "Tri-tip" days.

"Tri-tip is a sirloin cut of meat and it's very versatile," Penny said. "Every person that has had a tri-tip sandwich

has come back for another."

Wednesdays are Way Back Wednesdays, where the cooking is catered to a southern, grandma-style, from chicken and dumplings to lasagna.

"Each time Steve has made lasagna, he has made 20 pounds and we've sold out every time," Penny said.

Beef stew is yet another popular Wednesday dish.

Fridays are Fiesta Fridays, featuring Mexican cuisine, such as enchiladas, burritos, quesadillas, nachos and more.

Penny's Place is more than a convenience store, it's a place to visit with friends and family.

"Our theme is 'where friends become family,'" Penny said. "We truly love people and we love meeting new people. We're really

enjoying all of the people who come into the store and we've had really good feedback."

Situated on cozy, original wooden floors, Penny's Place is prepared to seat 16 for in-store dining, with extra chairs available if needed.

The other half of the store exhibits an assortment of grocery items.

Fresh breakfast burritos and sandwiches are made every day along with a line of deli meats, available for purchase by sandwich or by the pound.

"We try to have a lot of carry out items for people on their way to work," Penny said. "If people are curious about our daily specials or menu items, they can call and see what is on the menu. If there's something else they want, they can order basically anything on the menu."

Penny's Place, located at 10800 Ky.1547, Liberty, is open Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The store is closed on Sunday.

For more information call (606) 787-4180.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Bryant promoted



BRYANT

Justin Bryant of Liberty was promoted to the position of Correctional Sergeant on Oct. 31 at Northpoint Training Center.

The center is a medium security state prison in Boyle County.

Bryant began his employment at Northpoint in May 2009.



Hess recognized as Roads Scholar

Thomas Hess was recently honored as a Roads Scholar with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. Hess completed the 2014 Kentucky Roads Scholars/Road Masters Training Program which consists nine full-day courses. Nancy Albright, Deputy Stage Highway Engineer, presented Hess with the award.

Freedom Vapes offers premium quality vaping products

By Abigail Whitehouse
Staff Writer

Vaping is not smoking. Intended to be a healthier alternative for current adult smokers wishing to continue their nicotine use at a reduced risk, vaping eliminates many of the chemicals found in regular tobacco cigarettes.

Heather Weir, owner of Freedom Vapes in Liberty, said she accidentally quit smoking cigarettes when she started using a personalized vapor.

After being a regular smoker for 23 years, Weir said she feels better than ever.

"Vaping is a healthier alternative to smoking," Weir said. "There are no carcinogens and only four ingredients, which are all pharmaceutical and food-grade."

Accidental quitters are a regular encounter for Weir, who said there are many people who come in to try vapor products with no intentions of kicking regular cigarettes, but end up quitting after trying the alternative.

"We get a lot of accidental quitters because they don't realize until two or three days later that they haven't had a cigarette," Weir said. "You still get your nicotine."

For those new to vaping, Freedom Vapes offers starter kits which include a battery, a tank, a charger, and juice.

The charger has a USB port which can plug into any USB car charger or wall adapter. The tanks in the starter kits are disposable, but those who want to continue vaping can upgrade to rebuildable devices with even more options.

Disposable tanks last about two weeks, while the rebuildable tanks only require replacing the small, inexpensive coil every few weeks.

"I always start people out on starter kits because I want to make sure they're going



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Freedom Vapes, located at 483 N Wallace Wilkinson Blvd. in Liberty, offers a variety of premium, American liquids and vaporizers to meet any individual's vaping needs.

to stick to it," Weir said. "I don't want them spending a ton of money if they're not going to stick to it."

Another benefit of vaping, as an alternative to smoking, is that often it ends up cutting daily nicotine levels down, according to Weir.

"I'm down to 6 milligrams of nicotine a day," Weir said. "When I started I was at 32 mg of nicotine, which would probably knock over a horse. I guess it's a little more of a relaxed, accidental quitting system."

There are a lot of flavors to choose from, such as basic regular and menthol flavors, as well as candy flavors like strawberry creamsicle. Weir's favorite flavor is currently "Saturday Morning" which she said tastes just like the milk left over from a bowl of Fruit Loops.

"Anyone is welcome to try different flavors before making a purchase," Weir said. "I don't want anyone leaving here unhappy."

All of the juices offered at Freedom Vapes are U.S.-made, something Weir said she is very adamant about.

"It's very important to us to sell only U.S.-made juices," she said. "U.S. juice makers are already ahead of the game because they respect their product and they only use pharmaceutical ingredients. Juices made in China

and other parts of the world are not nearly as regulated as those made in the U.S."

By choice, Weir does not sell to anyone under the age of 18, though she is not legally required to adhere to the same tobacco laws.

"It's my own choice," Weir said. "If parents want to accompany their child who is under 18 into the store, they can do that."

All of the vaping products and parts have child-safety features, as well.

Inside the store, Weir has a table scattered in a wide variety of flavors, in non-nicotine form, for customers to test.

"We have something for everybody," Weir said. "We get new products in every week, to keep things diverse."

Currently, Freedom Vapes is offering \$15 off of I-Taste MVP and Cool Fire products, while supplies last.

All servicemen and women are also guaranteed a 10 percent discount at any time on any and all products.

Freedom Vapes, located at 483 North Wallace Wilkinson Boulevard in Liberty, is open Monday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., with extended hours during the weekend.

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Rebels sweep Smoky Mountain Classic tourney

By Larry Rowell
Editor

Prior to this past weekend, the Rebels were coming off a heartbreaking 69-68 overtime loss on Dec. 16 to Somerset, compiling a 2-6 record.

However, the team didn't let that close loss rob them of the desire to rebound and come back winners, which is exactly what they did in Gatlinburg, Tenn. in the Smoky Mountain Classic tournament.

On Friday, the Rebels opened the tournament beating Halls High School from Knoxville, 66-63.

"Halls had beaten the number one and number two ranked teams in Tennessee. They were the equivalent to a Rockcastle or Somerset," said Coach Maze Stallworth.

The next day, they had a much easier matchup against Signal Mountain, Tenn., coming away with a 60-45 victory.

But it was in the championship game on Sunday when the Rebels took a team from Huntsville, Ala. to the woodshed, walking away with the tournament championship trophy after winning 65-55.

Collin Miller led the Rebels' scoring with 21 points followed by Jake Smith with 18; D.J. White, 10; Tanner Davis, 8; and Landon Carman, 3.

In addition, Miller had 6 assists and 7 steals; White had 2 assists and three steals; while Smith had 2 assists with 1 steal.

Free throw shooting has improved for the team, going 14 of 22 from the line for 64 percent.

As a team, the boys shot 48 percent, had 15 turn-



photos/ALINA SANDUSKY

The Rebels, who have improved to 5-6, won three games in a row in the Smoky Mountain Classic tournament this past weekend in Gatlinburg, Tenn. The Rebels beat Hall High 66-63, Signal Mountain High, 60-45, and won the championship game over a team from Huntsville, Ala., 65-55. Coach Maze Stallworth will lead the team into tournament play this weekend in Lexington.

overs and 11 rebounds.

And it's that improved statistics the team needs right now. The day after Christmas, the Rebels enter play in the Lexington Catholic tournament.

"We play New Bedford High School from New Hampshire," said Stallworth, adding his boys are flying blind when it comes to this team being so far away and being unknown here in the Bluegrass. If Casey wins the opener, they will face North Laurel.

Stallworth said that of the 21 teams in the tournament, 18 have been or are currently ranked this season in the top 25.

Intimidated? Hardly, said Stallworth.

"We're going down there to make a statement to re-

ally put Liberty, Ky. on the map so people know that little Casey County can play some basketball too," he said. "I want the boys going in there with a chip on their shoulders to show everyone we can play too."

See next week's paper for the results from the Lex Catholic tournament.

In the Smoky Mountain Classic, D.J. White, 33, and Micco Randall collapse on a Signal Mountain player while Tanner Davis, 42, and Jake Smith, in background, stay on defense.



Lady Rebels capture first win of the 2014-15 season

By Abigail Whitehouse
Staff Writer

After a five-game losing streak, the Lady Rebels traveled to Somerset with one goal – to win. They achieved their goal by 15 points, beating the Lady Briar Jumpers 62-47.

Lakken Miller accounted for 17 points and 7 assists. Other scorers included Christin Terry with 12 and Kyra Eads had 10.

Smoky Mountain Classic

■ Sycamore, Tenn.

The Lady Rebels traveled to Gatlinburg, Tenn. to compete in the Gatlinburg-Pittman High School Smoky Mountain Classic Christmas tournament last week.

The first game of the tournament was on Dec. 18 against Sycamore and proved to be a tough one for Casey, who fell 41-26.

Coach Todd Claunch said there were a few factors that may have contributed to the loss.

"We didn't have a whole lot of energy," he said said. "We just couldn't hit our free throws and couldn't make the lay ups."

The sports complex in which the Lady Rebels were competing could have been a factor as well, Claunch said.

"The court was sort of wide open and the fans were far



photo/CHRIS ZOLLNER

Hayley Southerland takes a shot against a defender from Somerset last week. The Lady Rebs went on to capture their first season win.

away from the court," he said. "I don't know if that might have bothered us a little bit, since there was nothing there to focus the background."

The Lady Rebels shot 19 percent from the floor and 40 percent from the free throw line.

■ Harpeth Hall, Tenn.

Casey took the court again on Dec. 19 to face Harpeth Hall and despite a much more invigorated effort, lost by 8

points, 63-55.

"Harpeth is probably the best basketball team we've played," Claunch said. "They were very talented and very well coached. They had a few six-foot girls, one who was really tough to stop."

After the Lady Rebels got down by about 20 points, the defense really started to come together, Claunch said.

"We started pressuring them a little bit and getting up

and down the floor," Clauch said, "and they started missing some easy shots. We started getting some transition shots and drawing the fouls."

Miller put up 17 and had four assists, while Tiara Cochran also managed four assists. Gena Cravens scored 11 for the Lady Rebels.

"I was proud of them," Claunch said. "That team was a very good team and

us being down 20 points and fighting back into it was really good."

■ Northwest Whitfield, Ga.

The Lady Rebels snagged their second win of the season on Dec. 20, beating Northwest Whitfield, Ga., 55-46.

According to Claunch, Casey showed up ready to play.

"We came out from the opening and played wide open and hard," Claunch said. "At one point we got behind by as much as 8 or 10 points and we fought back and took the lead."

Cochran was a huge force behind the Lady Rebels' win,

as she went 12 for 12 from the line.

"It was a good win because it was a hard fought win," Claunch said. "It showed them that if they come out for four quarters then they can win. And shows us that we can compete with anyone in the district."

Unfortunately for the Lady Rebels, guard Kyra Eads suffered a high and low ankle sprain and possibly cartilage damage during the first half of the game.

"It's really unfortunate," Claunch said. "We're off until Dec. 26 so we just have to wait and see what the results say."

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Youth Basketball

Coach Darin Cundiff and the first place champions of the Casey County Youth Basketball League include, front row, from left, Bronwyn Hackney, Emily Cochran, Molly Demrow, Kyra Cain; Top row, Gracie Floyd, Karis Cundiff, Gracie Singleton, Allison O'Hair. Not pictured, Audie Stonecypher. The 4th-6th grade girls basketball team league champions were chosen by coaches and referees based on skills, improvement, and overall individual performance. First team players were Emily Cochran, Jalee Yocum, Natalie Pierce, Allie Parton, and Autumn Brown; second team players were Mikayla Fair, Madison Chansler, Kailey Piatt, Karis Cundiff, and Erin Morgan; honorable mention team players were Sadie Edwards, Gracie Floyd, Katelyn Woods, Audie Stonecypher, Bronwyn Hackney, Mollie Harne, Kennedy Phillips, Madison Hale, Macie Lee, and Molly Demrow.



REBEL OF THE WEEK



Saluting
Kyra Eads
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Sophomore Kyra Eads is in her third year on the Lady Rebel varsity basketball team, where she plays at the guard position. Eads also is on the Lady Rebel softball and volleyball teams.

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Right to work

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and Fulton counties have addressed, giving preliminary approval to right-to-work measures. Simpson County will hold second reading on Dec. 30. The measure is expected to pass.

Simpson County Judge-Executive Jim Henderson said that for their county, it's an economic issue, to let prospective industries know that despite Kentucky not being a right-to-work state, some counties are right-to-work.

"We border the Tennessee line and Tennessee is a right-to-work state and we compete regularly for projects that are also looking at sites in Tennessee not too far away and that right-to-work issue is often a part of that final decision to locate that project in Tennessee."

Henderson referred to a poll done by the Bluegrass Institute that showed 80 percent of respondents agreed with the right-to-work issue, and being given a choice of joining a union without having to give up their job.

"In right-to-work states, there's very active union activity, with Tennessee having some of the highest new union activity in the last several years," Henderson said.

AG's opinion

In a recent opinion, Kentucky Attorney Jack Conway said that local governments do not have the right to become right-to-work counties.

Requested by Sen. Robert Stivers and Rep. Jeffery M. Donohue, the document states that counties cannot take this action.

"In summary, local governments have no power to enact right-to-work ordinances, as they are preempted by the NLRA," Conway wrote, citing a 1965 Kentucky Court of Appeals decision that overturned Shelbyville's right-to-work law.

"It is clear that (federal law) pre-empts all political subdivisions of a state from enacting right-to-work laws, including counties as well as cities," the opinion states.

Ultimately, this is something that's going to be decided in the courts, Henderson said.

"I have an opinion from former Kentucky Chief Justice Joseph Lambert who has concurred with what we're doing as being legal under the home rule statutes," Henderson said.

Jim Waters, the executive

president of the Bluegrass Institute in Lexington, agreed.

"Local counties passing these right-to-work ordinances agree with the County Home Rule, Kentucky law passed by the General Assembly in 1978 that delegates to county fiscal courts the legislature's authority to promote economic development and regulate commerce and which allows county fiscal courts to approve policies not expressly prohibited by the legislature," Waters said.

"Right-to-work fits the 'County Home Rule' like the Wildcats fit in Rupp Arena. It protects workers from losing their jobs for refusing to become members of labor unions or pay dues while also serving as a county's very own 'open for business' sign in a state that's generally not," he said.

Casey Cattlemen hear from Purina on mineral nutrition

By Abigail Whitehouse

Staff Writer

"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," is a quote often attributed to Benjamin Franklin, and one that Rick Carico, Purina representative, used to explain to the Casey County cattle producers the importance of mineral nutrition in maintaining a healthy cowherd.

In a monthly meeting, about 50 members of the Casey County Cattlemen's Association gathered at the Casey County Extension Office for a meal and presentation from Purina representatives.

have the vitamins to utilize the minerals, the minerals to utilize the protein, and the protein to utilize the energy. And if we're lacking in any of those, then we're going to waste a lot of those other expensive things that we're feeding those cows."

According to Purina's research, some of the reasons cow herds don't get mineral supplement were that it costs too much, that the herd is too small to control intake, or that they don't need minerals in their area.

"Mineral nutrition is very complicated," Carico said. "When you change one, you have to change the rest because you've got to make sure everything is in correct ratio."

But the benefits of mineral nutrition, Carico said, improves the entire herd and can contribute to a higher output of calves, due to higher efficiency.

Even though information about minerals is available, 40 percent of producers still don't feed mineral. Many do use salt blocks, which Carico referred to as thieves in the night that only provide a small portion of trace minerals that cows need.

"In a 50-pound bag of Wind and Rain Mineral (Purina), there are 200 ounces of mineral, not counting the salt," Carico said. "How much energy is in salt? Zero. How much protein is in salt? Zero."

In other business

UK Agriculture Extension Agent Will Stallard presented a short film on the importance of calling 811 before digging.

Stallard discussed the latest changes in legislation known as the "Farm Bill," and how it may impact Casey agriculture producers.

Members were encouraged to visit their local Farm Service Agency to see program changes as well as other programs that apply.



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Liberty City Council, meeting on Monday, repealed a city-wide smoking ban in public buildings and a 3 percent restaurant tax. However, Mayor Steve Sweeney, for the first time in his 16-year career, used his veto powers to override the restaurant tax repeal, leaving it to become law next month. From left are Brad Vaughn, Andy Lawhorn, Steven Brown, Sweeney, Brian Beeler, Mitchell Phillips, and Larry Bowmer. Of these six councilmen, only Beeler will serve another term as Vaughn, Lawhorn, Phillips, and Bowmer were defeated in the November elections. Brown won the mayor's race, defeating Lawhorn.

Mayor

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The new council can choose whether to address the issue at the Jan. 14 regular meeting.

In discussion before the council voted, Councilman elect Jim Worley said that although he didn't like imposing any tax on residents, this was the way to do it.

"This 3 percent restaurant tax, I don't like any tax, but it's fair," Worley said.

Another councilman elect, Doug Johnson, said that what he objected to was the ordinance specifying that the city has a right to go through a business owner's financial books to verify the tax being paid, which is spelled out in the ordinance.

"There's a lot of people who take offense of your trying to go through their books. It's like a government overstep," Johnson said.

Councilman Andy Lawhorn, who was defeated in his bid for mayor in November, and who has opposed the measure from the beginning, said that he would like to see the city council go through the budget to see where cuts could be made.

Other discussion centered around what the money — administered by a seven-member tourism commission appointed by the mayor — generated from the tax could be used for.

"There's a ton of other infrastructure things in this city that need to be done. Walk down these sidewalks and you'll see how much we need to upgrade our sidewalks," Sweeney said.

Sweeney also said that the city's aging sewer plant needs to be upgraded and funds from the tax could be used to subsidize this project.

Smoking ban ordinance

Before the restaurant tax ordinance was dealt with, the council voted 5-1 to repeal a city-wide smoking ban in public buildings. Beeler was the lone dissenting vote to not rescind the smoking ban.

Lawhorn, who initially voted in favor of the ordinance in the November meeting when it passed, changed his vote to oppose it.

"I stand by what I voted for. We sit here and say that second hand smoke is not harmful. I smoke. If we can actually say it's not harmful to us or other people and 'other people' being the key word, we're in denial. That's just a fact," Lawhorn said.

Lawhorn then went on to explain why he flip-flopped his vote.

"I've heard a lot of outpouring conversations from the public that's come to me that was against it. And I feel that maybe I voted my conscience and what I believe kind of before I got any feedback, good quality feedback, from the public on what they wanted," Lawhorn said.

A number of residents attended the meeting to address the issue from both sides.

Beverly Hoskins, whose late husband Jerry died this year from complications due to smoking, said it's about making public places safe for everyone.

"To me, it's about public places being safe for everyone. I don't have any choice about whether I breathe or not. I want to do my business here and shop locally," she said.

Jelaine Harlow, Health Educator at Lake Cumberland District Health Department, said it's a public health issue, much like city's installing sewer plants to handle raw waste.

"Would you want somebody's raw sewerage coming out if it got in your water, those types of things?"

Sewer systems protect people, clean water protects people, and smoke free air protects people," she said.

County Attorney Tom Weddle, himself a smoker, took issue with the fact that, according to the ordinance, he could no longer smoke in his office after hours.

"I spend a lot of time in that office and I pay for that office. You go in there late at night to do search warrants, and on weekends when the public isn't in that office. Why should I have to walk outside to smoke if that's what I want to do? As long as somebody is not doing something that doesn't hurt somebody else unreasonably, you need to leave them alone," Weddle said.

Johnson echoed what Weddle said.

"I own two businesses here in town. Both of my businesses are smoke free. I don't smoke, myself, and that being said, I believe that the individual owner of their business should have the right to smoke in their own business," he said.

Johnson went on to add that should a person not want to go into a business where second hand smoke is present, don't shop there.

"You should boycott that place until they yield to no smoking but we should not mandate that to the owner. If we mandate that, we can mandate anything. It's their personal space, they own it even though it's open to the public. It is privately owned," he said.

Other business

Sweeney also proposed an ordinance that would increase the minimum wage in Liberty from \$7.25 to \$8 an hour.

Sweeney had broached the subject in the Dec. 17 meeting and it died for lack of a motion.

"I'm asking for this because I think it's an issue of justice, social justice. I'm asking the council to consider \$8 an hour. That's extremely modest. I think

\$8 is a good beginning," he said.

Sweeney acknowledged this ordinance faced a mountain of obstacles.

"Objections abound, with most having to do with 'we're going to lose jobs.' But data and statistics do not prove that to be true," he said.

As in the Dec. 17 meeting, Sweeney failed to get a motion on the wage ordinance.

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ORDINANCE CO. 14-0-05
CITY OF LIBERTY, KENTUCKY
RESTAURANT TAX
AN ORDINANCE LEVYING A RESTAURANT TAX PURSUANT TO KRS 91A.400 ON
THE RETAIL SALES BY ALL RESTAURANTS DOING BUSINESS IN THE CITY OF
LIBERTY. ALL MONEYS COLLECTED FROM THE TAX AUTHORIZED BY THIS
ORDINANCE SHALL BE TURNED OVER TO THE LIBERTY TOURISM &
CONVENTION COMMISSION.
WHEREAS, the Liberty city council desires to ensure additional funding for the Liberty Tourism &
Convention Commission,
BE IT ORDAINED by the city council of the City of Liberty, Kentucky as follows:
Ordinance No. 14-0-05 is hereby enacted and shall read in full as follows:
Sections:
I. Definitions
II. Levy, Collection, and Remittance Of Restaurant Tax
III. All Restaurant Tax Moneys To Be Turned Over To Tourism And Convention Commission
Pursuant To KRS 91A.400
IV. Investigative Powers Of City Clerk
V. Information To Remain Confidential
VI. Penalties
VII. Tourism And Convention Commission To Provide Annual Budget To City Council
VIII. Severability
IX. Effective Date
I. DEFINITIONS
(A) "City" means City of Liberty, Kentucky.
(B) "Restaurant" means any fixed or mobile business or portion thereof that engages
in the preparation and serving of ready-to-eat food or beverage to a consumer.
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This term includes, but is not limited to, any: restaurant; coffee shop; ice cream shop; cafe; tea room;
sandwich shop; street vendor that prepares and serves ready-to-eat food; peddler, food truck;
itinerant merchant, or solicitor that prepares and serves ready-to-eat food; or portion of grocery store,
convenience store, or other business that prepares and serves ready-to-eat food. This term does not
include any school cafeteria or temporary food service operation operated by a nonprofit
organization.
(C) "Tourism and Convention Commission" means the Liberty Tourism &
Convention Commission.
II. LEVY, COLLECTION, AND REMITTANCE OF RESTAURANT TAX
(A) A restaurant tax in the amount of three percent (3%) of the retail sales by all restaurants doing
business in the city is hereby levied.
(B) Every restaurant doing business in the city shall:
(1) collect the restaurant tax levied pursuant to this Ordinance at the time of
sale of ready-to-eat food or beverage to a consumer; and
(2) by the fifteenth (15th) day of every month remit to the City Clerk all restaurant tax collected
pursuant to this Ordinance during the preceding calendar month along with a completed restaurant
tax return on a form obtained from the City Clerk.
(C) Every restaurant doing business in the city and purchasing an itinerant merchant, peddler, or
solicitor license shall at the time of purchasing said license estimate all of its retail sales to be made
in the city during the term of said license, complete a restaurant tax return on a form obtained from
the City Clerk, and pay to the City Clerk all restaurant tax that will be owed pursuant to this
Ordinance.
III. ALL RESTAURANT TAX MONEYS TO BE TURNED OVER TO TOURISM AND CONVENTION
COMMISSION PURSUANT TO KRS 91A.400
Pursuant to KRS 91A.400, all moneys collected from the tax authorized by this Ordinance shall be
turned over by the City Clerk to the tourism and convention commission.
IV. INVESTIGATIVE POWERS OF CITY CLERK
To determine the accuracy of any return filed or, if no return was filed when due, to determine the
amount of tax due pursuant to this Ordinance, the City Clerk or his designee shall be permitted to
examine the books, papers, and records of any restaurant doing business in the city. The City Clerk
may compel the production of any restaurant's books, papers, records, and vendors' contact
information. Any restaurant shall, upon receipt of a written request from the City Clerk or his
designee, authorize its vendors to disclose to the City Clerk or his designee the goods and services,
including the quantity and price thereof, furnished to the restaurant. In the event an investigation is
conducted and it is determined this Ordinance has been violated, the violator shall be responsible for
all costs of the investigation and collection in addition to any tax, interest, or penalties otherwise
owed.
V. INFORMATION TO REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL
No present or former employee of the city shall intentionally and without authorization inspect or
divulge any information acquired by him or her of the affairs of any restaurant, information regarding
the tax returns or remittances required to be filed with or remitted to the city, or any information
produced by a hearing or investigation insofar as the information may have to do with the affairs of
the restaurant's business. This prohibition does not extend to information required in prosecutions
for making false reports or returns for taxation or any other infraction of the tax laws or in any way
made a matter of public record. Furthermore, this prohibition does not preclude furnishing any
restaurant or the restaurant's properly authorized agent with information respecting its own return.
Furthermore, this prohibition does not preclude any employee of the city from testifying in any court
or from introducing as evidence returns or reports filed with the city in any action for violation of a
city tax law or in any action challenging a city tax law.
VI. PENALTIES
(A) Any restaurant that fails to file a restaurant tax return or remit the required restaurant tax when
due shall be subject to a penalty equal to five percent (5%) of the restaurant tax due. The total
penalty levied pursuant to this subsection shall not be less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).
(B) In addition to the penalties prescribed in this section, an amount equal to twelve percent (12%)
per annum simple interest shall accrue on any delinquent restaurant tax. A fraction of a month is
counted as an entire month.
(C) The city shall be entitled to recover from the violating restaurant all costs and reasonable
attorney's fees incurred by the city in enforcing any provision of this Ordinance.
(D) Pursuant to KRS 83A.065(2), a violation of Section V of this Ordinance is expressly made a Class
A misdemeanor subjecting the offender to imprisonment for a term not to exceed twelve (12) months
and a criminal fine not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00).
VII. TOURISM AND CONVENTION COMMISSION TO PROVIDE ANNUAL
BUDGET TO CITY COUNCIL
The tourism and convention commission shall each year within thirty (30) days of adopting its
annual budget provide a copy of its budget to the city council.
VIII. SEVERABILITY
Each section and each provision of each section of this ordinance are severable, and if any provision,
section, paragraph, sentence, or part thereof, or the application thereof to any person, licensee, class,
or group is declared by the Commonwealth to be null, void, or unenforceable or held by a court of
law to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such declaration or holding shall operate to
repeal any such null, void, unenforceable, unconstitutional, or invalid section or provision but shall
not affect or impair the remainder of this ordinance, it being the legislative intent to ordain and enact
each provision, section, paragraph, sentence, and part thereof separately and independently of the
rest.
IX. EFFECTIVE DATE
This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its publication.
Date of First Reading: November 12, 2014
Date of Second Reading: November 14, 2014
/s/ Steve Sweeney, Mayor
Attest:
/s/ Sharleen Rodgers, City Clerk.

Man indicted on cold check charge

By Larry Rowell
Editor

A Stanford man faces a charge that he passed a cold check to a local business.

Eric D. Caudill, 30, of 170 Peck Hollow Road, Stanford, was indicted on Dec. 8 by a Casey County grand jury and charged with theft by deception, cold check, more than \$500 but less than \$10,000.

Court documents state that on June 13, 2013, Caudill passed a cold check to Dutchman Metal in Dunnville for \$2,757.86.

Jazmine E. Luttrell was also indicted on eight counts including first-degree first offense trafficking in a controlled substance, less than two grams of meth, two counts of second offense second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance less than 20 drug units, first-degree first offense possession of a controlled substance, meth, two counts of second-degree possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and first offense unlawful possession of a meth precursor.

Court documents state that the charges stem from a Sept. 10 incident in which Luttrell, in addition to possessing meth, also had Subutex and Suboxone in her possession.

Court records also show that the grand jury did not indict Scotty R. Young and William Brian McFerson, who were both charged with third-degree criminal mischief and second-degree burglary. Young and McFerson weren't indicted because these cases were dismissed at the request of the victim, court records

state.

In addition, a no true bill was returned against Elizabeth Amy Meeks, who was charged with cultivation of marijuana, five or more plants, and third-degree criminal mischief.

Jeremy Kyle Branscum had his charges of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and third-degree criminal mischief referred to Casey District Court for prosecution.

Editor's Note: An indictment is a legal accusation and does not imply guilt or innocence.

Street Beat

Casey County E-911 records were not available this week, according to dispatch personnel. This week's Street Beat information will appear next week.

POLICE NEWS

DUI

■ Cole William Ledford, 20, of 266 Hopewell Road, Liberty, was arrested on Dec. 17 on Lower Brush Creek Road by Trooper Mike Woodrum and charged with second offense DUI, license to be in possession, failure to wear seat belts, and failure to produce an insurance card. A citation states that Ledford was in a yard on Brush Creek and was very unstable on his feet. He told Woodrum that he had just taken medication. After being placed under arrest, Ledford's mother told Woodrum that Ledford had been beaten and had trauma to his head.

■ Nicholas Turpin, 23, of 7620 Ky. 78, Hustonville, was arrested on Ky. 78 on Dec. 9 by Trooper Mike Woodrum and charged with first offense DUI, failure to produce an insurance card, failure to wear a seat belt, and expired plates. Woodrum stated that Turpin had been involved in an accident and admitted to drinking.

Endangering welfare of a minor

■ Edward L. Wilson, 60, of 20 Riverdale Lane, Liberty, was cited by Lt. Ronnie Smith on Dec. 16 at Liberty Square and charged with endangering the welfare of a minor. A court report states that Wilson was in a car with an infant and left the vehicle, leaving the child alone in 42 degree weather.

■ William Everett Luttrell, 33, of 73 Hall Lane, Liberty, was also charged with endangering the welfare of a minor in the same incident. Lt. Smith states that a window in the car was partially open while both men were in IGA. Luttrell told Smith that he saw Wilson, his uncle, in the store but didn't ask where the infant was.

Assault

Clayton J. Simmons, 44, of 201 Creston Water Tower Road, Liberty, was arrested on Dec. 21 at his residence by Deputy Freeman Luttrell and charged with fourth-degree assault domestic violence, minor injury. Simmons is accused of dragging his live-in girlfriend through broken glass, which Simmons denied. Court records state that the woman had a cut on her arm, with red areas around her neck.

Drugs

Kayla Michelle Buis, 25, of Liberty, was arrested Sunday night in Campbellsville and charged with fraudulent use of a credit card, \$500 or more but less than \$10,000; theft by unlawful taking, shoplifting under \$500, first-degree first offense possession of a controlled substance, meth; third-degree possession of a controlled substance, prescription controlled substance not in a proper container, public intoxication of a controlled substance, and possession of drug paraphernalia. She was lodged in the Taylor County Detention Center under a \$2,000 cash bond.

Salyers pleads guilty to hindering Casey County murder investigation

By Calen McKinney
Central Kentucky
News Journal

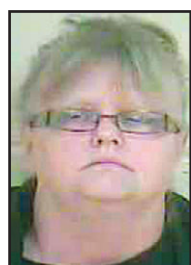
The Elk Horn woman accused of intimidating a judicial officer and hindering a murder investigation has pleaded guilty to amended charges and been sentenced to probation.

Ruth Salyers, 60, of 824 Farmers Ridge Road, was indicted twice last year and charged with tampering with physical evidence, first-degree hindering prosecution or apprehension and intimidating a witness in the legal process.

Last Tuesday, Salyers appeared before Taylor Circuit Court Judge Dan Kelly and pleaded guilty to criminal facilitation to commit the three charges. The amended charges are misdemeanor offenses.

In exchange for her guilty plea, Salyers was sentenced to two years' probation and ordered to pay a \$500 fine.

If a jury had convicted Salyers, she faced as much as 15 years in prison.



SALYERS

Lebanon attorney Judge Hagan represented her, and Assistant Common-wealth's

Attorney John Miller prosecuted the case.

According to court records, the tampering with evidence and hindering prosecution charges stemmed from the investigation into the murder of Adair County resident Wendall "Gleason" Pyles.

According to a Kentucky State Police news release, Pyles was shot and killed in September 2012 while he was working at Tarter Gate Co. in Dunnville.

Salyers' spouse, David, was charged with complicity in the murder. Mr. Salyers was found guilty in March and then sentenced to serve 20 years and six months in prison.

Others charged in the case have yet to face a jury.

According to the indictments, Salyers allegedly concealed a gun believed to be evidence in Pyles's murder case.

Hagan filed a motion in July, asking Kelly to dismiss the charge.

According to that motion, Salyers gave the gun to their daughter, Tosha, for her protection.

The motion states that Mr. Salyers told his wife to contact the police and tell them she had given the gun to Tosha.

Salyers said she would, and testimony at Mr. Salyers's trial revealed she did.

A transcript of a phone call between Mr. and Mrs. Salyers states that he told his wife to call police about the gun and she agreed.

At the time Salyers gave a gun to her daughter, the motion states, she didn't know that her husband had been arrested.

She also didn't know that the gun in question was sought in connection

Arrest

■ Continued from front was unsuccessful. He then took a 2003 Hyundai SUV from the auto dealer, stated Chief Steven Garrett.

Charges stemming from the break-in at Liberty Motors include third-degree burglary, first-degree criminal mischief, third-degree criminal mischief, three counts of theft by unlawful taking, more than \$500 but less than \$10,000, and no operator's license.

Later that day, Deputy Chad G. Weddle saw Godbey in the Hyundai and gave chase on Tennessee

Ridge Road, ending on Scherrer Road.

Godbey crashed through a wire fence on Carl Hoffman's property, striking several trees and then fleeing on foot into the woods after wrecking the vehicle.

Sheriff Jerry Coffman said that Godbey then entered a garage on Tennessee Ridge Road belonging to Eula Hatfield.

He later took a 2004 Chevrolet Silverado pickup belonging to Charlotte Garrett. The truck was recovered on Amos Woodrum Road.

Godbey was arrested at

a residence Saturday night by Coffman, Weddle, Officer Kerry Patten, and Constable Roger Garrett. Deputy Freeman Luttrell also assisted in the case.

Charges related to the incident also include first-degree fleeing or evading police in a motor vehicle, second-degree fleeing or evading police on foot, no operator's license, second-degree criminal mischief, second-degree criminal trespass, third-degree burglary, and two counts of theft by unlawful taking, auto.

Audit

■ Continued from front -sonal property taxes of nearly \$2.6 million.

Another \$111,475 came from fees collected for recording deeds, mortgages, and other services.

On the expenditures side totaling \$2.6 million, \$1.5 million was made in payments to the state for motor vehicle licenses and other usage taxes.

An additional \$151,425 went to fiscal court while \$682,081 was paid to the taxing districts in the county from tangible property taxes and delinquent taxes.

Davis' salary, set by Kentucky law, is \$82,130.59. Deputies' salaries totaled \$165,532 while office expenses and contracted ser-

vices accounted for another \$50,000.

As for the lack of segregation of duties, the audit states that Davis prepares and signs all disbursement checks — along with an additional signature — written out of his office. In addition, Davis posts all disburse-

ments to the disbursements ledger, the audit states.

Auditors recommended that to strengthen internal controls, Davis should delegate the disbursement duties to other employees within the office while maintaining oversight of these duties.



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